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After winning LDP poll

Nakasone set to step into Suzuki's shoes

TOKYO, Nov. 24 (AFP) — Yasuhiro Nakasone's long march to the top in Japanese politics Wednesday seemed to be complete, as the results of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) elections made him almost certain to be Japan's 45th prime minister at the relatively young age of 64.

Having won an absolute victory in the election, picking up almost 60 percent of the votes of the party's some one million members, Nakasone will officially succeed outgoing Premier Zenko Suzuki as party president Thursday at a convention of the 421 LDP members of parliament.

On Friday he takes over from Suzuki as prime minister at a special session of the Diet (parliament). The appointment is automatic as the LDP controls both chambers with large majorities.

Following Nakasone's impressive performance in the primary elections, his main rivals, Toshio Komoto and Shintaro Abe Wednesday withdrew from the race.

Komoto took 27.2 percent of the total votes and Abe 8.2 percent. Ichiro Nakagawa with 6.7 percent did not qualify for the final round.

Nakasone, director-general of the administrative agency, was the man Suzuki favored to succeed him, when he unexpectedly announced he would not continue as party president and premier.

Nakasone obtained his first ministerial post at the tender age of 41 — exceptionally young by Japanese standards.

He has never tried to conceal his ambition to become Japanese leader and he got a reputation for opportunism by switching allegiances when necessary.

He is recognized for his high energy even if his self-assured style and oratorical prowess are not always appreciated by his LDP peers.

After Prime Minister Eisaku Sato was dismissed in 1972, Nakasone emerged as one of the five strongest leaders in LDP infighting.

The other four have one after the other become premiers and Nakasone thought his time had come in 1980 with the unexpected death of Masayoshi Ohira. But instead Suzuki, a rank outsider at the time, was preferred.

Nakasone has been in parliament since 1947 and has been re-elected 13 consecutive times. He joined the LDP in 1955.

Nakasone is regarded by some as a nationalist



Yasuhiro Nakasone

"hawk". Recently he defended himself saying: "I am a liberal. I want Japan to take a middle course by international standards."

"I'm not advocating rearmament. What I'm advocating is modernization and improvement of the existing self-defense forces," he said.

Nakasone's intention of amending the constitution, under which Japan formally reduced war forever, has provoked anxiety. Some feel any alteration would open the door to a rebirth of fanatical nationalism.

Nakasone has said he does not regard the constitution as something Japanese as it was written by the United States.

Begin, aides in the dock

TEL AVIV, Nov. 24 (AP) — The commission probing the Beirut massacres warned Prime Minister Menachem Begin and eight other key officials and generals Wednesday that they might be harmed by the findings of the investigation.

They were given 15 days to study the potentially damaging material, reappear before the commission, cross-examine witnesses and take legal counsel, a commission statement said.

"These witnesses may be harmed by the conclusions of the commission," said the statement issued by the government press office.

It named Begin, Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Army personnel mentioned were the Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan, the commander of Israeli forces in Beirut, Brig. Gen. Amos Yaron, the commander of Israeli

Soviet parliament session concludes

MOSCOW, Nov. 24 (AFP) — The meeting of the Supreme Soviet ended Wednesday without the expected appointment Yuri Andropov as president to replace the late Leonid Brezhnev, it was announced here. The session opened Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Geidar Aliyev was Wednesday named Soviet first vice premier, Tass news agency reported.

Aliyev, 59, considered close to Andropov, was elected to the party's ruling body, the politburo, Monday.

Aliyev will serve under Premier Nikolai Tikhonov. He worked in the Soviet secret police, KGB, before becoming first party secretary in Azerbaijan. Andropov had headed the KGB for 15 years.

OAU hopes on summit front fade

TRIPOLI, Nov. 24 (R) — A summit of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) appeared on the brink of breakdown Wednesday for the second time in four months because of a deadlock over Chad.

Delegates said little progress was made in intensive overnight talks on resolving the issue, which caused a 14-nation walkout from a foreign ministers meeting here last week and their subsequent collapse.

Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, the current OAU chairman, was preparing to leave for Nairobi Wednesday because of a failure to narrow the gap between moderate and radical African states on the dispute, Kenyan delegates said.

Libyan Foreign Minister Abdelato Obeidi said he was still awaiting the response of several delegations to the suggested compromises. The summit had been due to open Tuesday.

Moderate states insist that the Western-influenced government of Hissene Habre, which ousted the Libyan-backed administration of Gen. Goukouni in June, should represent Chad at the conference.

But Libya and its allies wanted the Chad seat to remain vacant because the OAU backed the Goukouni government at its Nairobi summit last year to end the civil warfare that has afflicted Chad for almost 20 years.

The presidents of Kenya, Zambia, Nigeria, Tanzania and Sierra Leone and Libya met until the early hours of Wednesday to see if progress could be made, delegates said.

A previous attempt to hold the summit in August broke down when 21 states refused to attend because of the OAU membership of the Polisario Western Sahara independence movement. Their protest blocked the 34-nation quorum.

Delegates said the compromise involved the voluntary withdrawal of Hissene Habre's delegation from the current session.

A similar formula allowed the session to be organized when the Polisario's Saharan Arab Democratic Republic (SADR) withdrew voluntarily last month to persuade its opponents to come to Tripoli to make up the quorum.

Ghana foils coup attempt

ABIDJAN, Nov. 24 (R) — The government of Ghana said Wednesday it had crushed an attempted coup and it threatened to bomb from the air any rebel troops trying to leave the capital, Accra.

Flight-Lieutenant Jerry Rawlings, chairman of the ruling Provisional National Defense Council (PNDC), went on radio at dawn to announce that the overnight coup had been defeated.

"I'm ordering the remnants and misguided individuals still on the run to surrender," he said in a steady voice.

Accra Radio later broadcast a special announcement calling on "rebel troops and soldiers" to turn themselves in. Any units which disregarded orders to stay in the capital would be "bombarded from the air," the radio said.

The extent of the revolt was unclear and the radio made no direct reference to fighting. But Flight-Lieutenant Rawlings closed the international airport and extended by four hours the night curfew in force since the PNDC seized power last Dec. 31.

Ghana has been virtually sealed off from the outside world since Sept. 21 when all its land borders were closed in an effort to stop smuggling.

One of Africa's richest countries at independence in 1957, Ghana slid steadily into bankruptcy and Flight-Lieutenant Rawlings' "holy war" on corruption has apparently failed to arrest the decline.

Irish go to the polls

DUBLIN, Nov. 24 (R) — Irish voters cast their ballots Wednesday to choose the country's fourth government in 18 months, with opinion polls predicting it will be a coalition.

Voting started slowly as rain drenched much of Ireland but the weather cleared and a heavy turnout was reported.

In final campaigning, both major parties — Prime Minister Charles Haughey's Fianna Fail and Garret Fitzgerald's Fine Gael — agreed that after 18 months of precarious government a decisive majority was now needed.

As 88-state meet opens GATT urges war on protectionism

GENEVA, Nov. 24 (R) — General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Director-General Arthur Dunkel Wednesday urged governments to break what he called the vicious circle of protectionism.

Opening GATT's first ministerial-level session for nine years, he called on the meeting to show the trading nations' determination to keep markets open, despite increased competition resulting from the world recession.

Trade ministers of 88 countries which are signatories of GATT's liberal trade guidelines, accounting for 80 percent of world trade, will be reviewing international rules during the four-day meeting. The Swiss director-general also urged making agriculture subject to GATT rules, a move vigorously opposed by the European Community.

The community, which accounts for 40 percent of world trade, says this would expose its agricultural subsidies to attack by other nations which see the subsidies as pushing an unfair amount of European farm exports onto world markets.

Behind the different stands on this and other subjects lie mutual accusations that nations are already breaking GATT's anti-protectionist rules, as well as suspicion over motives behind policy positions taken ahead of the meeting.

World Bank President Tom Clausen affirmed that free and expanding trade was "crucial" to Third World nations because trade had contributed more to development than any other factor.

"Falling exports and rising debt service are closing in on a number of developing countries today like the jaws of a vice," he said.

"In order to service additional borrowing, developing countries need increased access to major markets, and they need a general recovery of international trade," he said.

U.S. Trade Representative Bill Brock, in a speech to the meeting, called for a renewed commitment to a liberal, open trading system, including pledges to end existing infringements of GATT rules and to refrain from such offenses in future.

Brock also urged a new approach to agricultural subsidies which he said brought "wasteful" and dangerous competition.

European Economic Community (EEC) delegates claim their farm export subsidies are permissible under the so-called Tokyo round GATT agreements of 1979, which allow such support if it does not result in an unfair share of trade.

EEC Commission Vice President Wilhelm Hafkamp pledged to withstand protectionist pressure in the community's 11-member countries. But he said it was not prepared to take on new commitments or new negotiations so soon after completion of the Tokyo round.

Japanese Foreign Affairs Minister Yoshio Sakuruchi, defending his country against allegations that it obstructed imports, said: "Japan is today one of the most open markets in the world."

Iran beats off Iraqi offensive

TEHRAN, Nov. 24 (R) — Iran said its forces repulsed a major Iraqi counter-offensive in fierce hand-to-hand fighting in the central sector of the Gulf war front.

The Iranian National News Agency IRNA described the fighting Tuesday as the heaviest since the Gulf war broke out 26 months ago. It said Iraqi troops had been forced to withdraw after losing 600 dead.

The agency said Iraq had deployed three battalions in the counter-attack aimed at regaining land lost to Iran earlier this month. The battalions had suffered heavy losses in men and military equipment, it said.

Iraq said Tuesday its forces had killed 1,300 Iranians in a major push east of the Iraqi town of Misan. Iran penetrated 10 kilometers into eastern Iraq during the so-called Moharram operation Nov. 1. Since

then Iraq has launched a series of counter-attacks to recover several military outposts and a cluster of oil wells captured by Iran.

An Iranian military communique said Tuesday that Iraq had suffered 300 casualties when another counter-attack in the Misan region was crushed.

Meanwhile, it was reported from London that Iraq's fresh attacks on shipping in the Gulf have failed to frighten the oil companies.

Oil industry sources said they had reports of tankers loading oil from Iran's main Kharg Island terminal, despite this week's Iraqi air strikes near the island. Two Iranian vessels and a small Indian-owned cargo ship were reported damaged, but there was no confirmation of Iraqi claims that five oil tankers had been hit.

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Spanish group seeks leading business links

By Javid Hassan
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Nov. 24 — A nine member Spanish trade mission, sponsored by the 'Instituto Nacional de Fomento a la Exportación' has arrived here as part of a drive to

Famous dancers due for Jeddah Turkish festival

By K.S. Ramkumar
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Nov. 24 — The internationally acclaimed Turkish State Dance Group, which has won many prizes, will stage performances during the Turkish festival at Hotel Alsalam Meridien here from Nov. 29 to Dec. 3.

The group won prizes in Austria, Bulgaria and Soviet Union in 1976; in France, Tunisia, Italy and Romania in 1977; in Japan in 1978; in Libya and Sweden in 1979; in Albania and Hong Kong in 1980; and in the U.S., Mexico and West Germany in 1981.

Makkah Governor Prince Majed will open the festival to be held by the hotel in collaboration with the Turkish Embassy and the Turkish Airlines.

The festival also features the Turkish Radio and TV Classical Orchestra, several exhibitions of Turkish arts and crafts, and, of course, Turkish cuisine.

A special buffet of Turkish specialties, all prepared by four of Turkey's top chefs is among the highlights of the festival each evening.

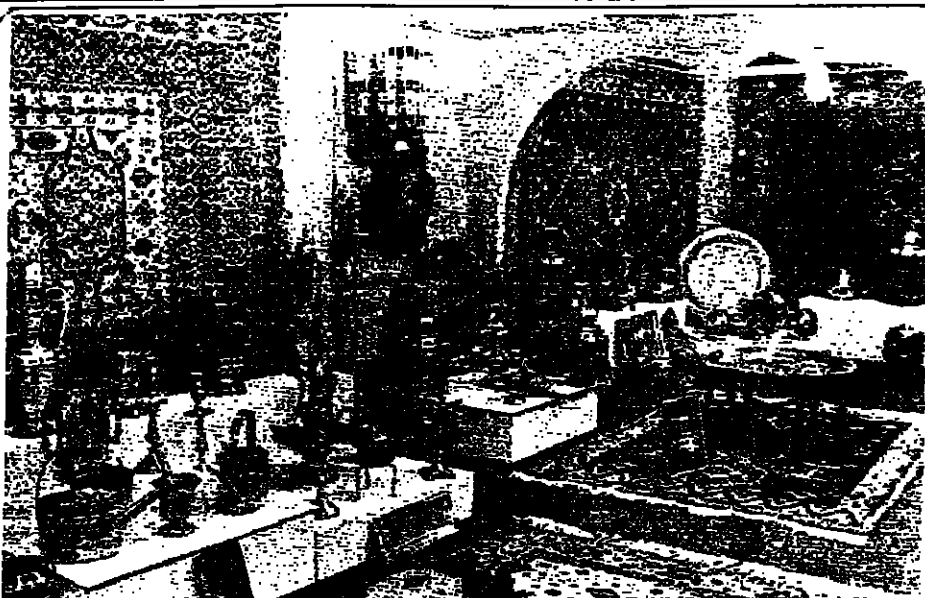
establish direct contacts with the leaders from Saudi Arabian businesses and explore the possibility of promoting steel products from that country. The mission, led by D. Guillermo Larios of the commercial division of UNESID (which represents the entire Spanish steel industry), has met nearly a hundred prominent members of the business community to study their requirements and size up the steel market. The mission will later visit the UAE for the same purpose.

Asked whether any positive results had emerged from such contacts, Fuan A Pelaez, commercial counselor in the Spanish Embassy of Jeddah, told *Arab News* that this is the first such contact and it is too early to expect concrete results so soon.

"But all the same the response from the Saudi Arabian business community has been encouraging," he said. "In fact, some members of the trade mission are planning to visit again next month to build up these contacts for improving trade relations with the Kingdom."

According to Larios, the export of steel and building materials, the second main item of Spanish export to the Kingdom after cement (in which it tops both in the Kingdom and at the international level) is facing stiff competition from the Far Eastern countries like Japan, South Korea and Taiwan. The problem, he explained, is compounded by the decline in steel consumption while the production has remained nearly the same.

"That is why, at the beginning of the year consumption was decreasing while production began increasing, even though slowly," he said. "Thus it has become necessary to work on opening markets abroad for our products."



MOROCCAN FESTIVAL: The Moroccan Festival was opened Tuesday night in Jeddah by, right, Governor of Makkah Prince Majed. The displays featured a variety of Moroccan products including silver, handicrafts, food products, books, calligraphy, carpets, textiles, dresses, leather work, furniture and cosmetics. Prince Majed was welcomed by a folk troupe and shown around the exhibition by Moroccan Ambassador Dr. Moulew Gine L. Adigine Alsaadi and other officials. The exhibit will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. until Dec. 2. It will be open for women-only on Sunday.



Gulf oil integration inevitable, Taher says

KUWAIT, Nov. 24 (SPA) — A Gulf integration in the oil domain will take place sooner or later so as to avoid fuel shortages in any member state of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Petromin's Governor Dr. Abdul-Hadi Taher said here Wednesday.

He told the Kuwaiti news agency (KUNA) that some sort of coordination already existed among the GCC states in the field of oil although this coordination was at a preliminary stage.

Dr. Taher said this coordination was now limited to oil refinery projects.

The governor added that the capacity of the Kingdom's oil refineries had reached 900,000 barrels per day (BPD).

BRIEFS

Bilateral relations
JAKARTA, (SPA) — Indonesian Vice-President Adem Malek received Wednesday visiting Saudi Arabian Foreign Undersecretary for Economic Affairs Abdullah Alireza. Bilateral relations were reviewed during the meeting. Alireza is leading the Kingdom's delegation to the joint Saudi-Indonesian Commission's meeting which began here Monday. Alireza conferred separately Tuesday with Foreign Minister Kesoma Tanadeja and Economy, Finance and Industry Organization Minister Jawid Nitsa Satru.

Australian mission
RIYADH — An Australian economics and trade mission will meet today with the Saudi Arabian Ambassador to Australia at

the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Talks will involve the establishment of new trade ties with Australia.

SAFCO production
DAMMAM, (SPA) — Saudi Fertilizers Company (SAFCO) production during the last 11 months of this year has totaled 306,592 metric tons, an increase of 4,785 tons compared with the same period last year. According to a company report released Wednesday, the rise in production is due to improvement in operation and maintenance as well as to the sincere efforts of workers and management.

The report noted that 50 percent of the work force is made up of Saudi Arabians and 90 percent of production is exported.

OAPEC discussions
KUWAIT, (SPA) — The ministerial council of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) met here Wednesday to discuss, among other things, the feasibility of petro-protein production. Other items expected to be discussed include general budgets for the various OAPEC establishments.

Kindergarten built
QATIF, (SPA) — The Qatif Social Service Center is constructing kindergartens here this year which will cost SR2 million. Center Director Mansour Hallal said the kindergartens plan is part of construction and social projects being implemented by the center in collaboration with the local committee.

Other projects include sports facilities in the village of Toubah and Hali Muhaish. Already underway are sports competitions organized by the center. Hallal said, while a program of cultural and social contests begins next week.

Minister leads team to Tunis talks

RIYADH, Nov. 24 (SPA) — Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Aba Al-Khail leaves for Tunisia Friday to lead the Kingdom's delegation to the 33rd session of the Arab Economic Council. The two-day meeting begins in Tunis Saturday.

The Saudi delegation comprises representatives of the foreign, industry and electricity, commerce and finance and national economy ministries.

The session's agenda contains 30 major issues related to Arab economic cooperation. Arab states' stands at international economic circles and maximizing the use of Arab human resources. Other topics to be discussed include financing Arab economic development projects inside the occupied territories, facilitating the import of Palestinian products by Arab states and establishment of industrial projects in some Arab countries.

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'New Generation' trucks unveiled

Juffali stresses after-sale services

By Dave Kaiser
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Nov. 24 — A line of new trucks designed especially for use in Saudi Arabia was unveiled here Wednesday by E.A. Juffali and Brothers during a gathering of dealers from across the Kingdom. The meetings were attended by key Daimler-Benz representatives from Stuttgart who gave descriptive presentations and then showed the dealers a number of their trucks which were on display at the Al-Bilad Hotel.

Ahmed Juffali opened the meeting by saying that he believed that just selling cars or trucks is not enough, it is necessary to look after the customer by providing maintenance, spare parts and workshops. In order to encourage the proper servicing of cars and trucks he said his firm sponsors a training school here for mechanics with a new building now being built for the school.

"Mercedes-Benz trucks have been the milk-yielding cow of the Kingdom," Juffali explained. "Since founding the dealership here in 1946 I have stressed product development, improvement and service."

He said that 80 percent of the spare parts necessary for the new line of trucks on display are now available in the Kingdom. It was cautioned to avoid obtaining spare parts which are not authentic Mercedes-Benz equipment. The firm stocks more than 90,000 line parts items here and more than 85 percent of the parts are available immediately over the counter. He said all parts are genuine and meet the quality and standards



Ahmed Juffali

of both the manufacturer and dealer.

E. Herzog of Daimler-Benz described the 'New Generation' line of trucks as a totally new line featuring a standard 280 horsepower V8 and a higher powered 355 horsepower V-10 for the tough conditions encountered in Saudi Arabia. He said that in the Kingdom the need for more power for bigger payloads has become evident due to the fact that prior to 1980 the firm offered an 180 horsepower model and by 1982 it had gone up to 280 horsepower.

The 'bonneted' truck has been redesigned to offer more space for the larger engines and at the same time to increase driver comfort.

The new model, according to Herzog, is more compact, has a shorter overall length and better maneuverability.

He described the new design as being safer than bonneted trucks because of reinforcement and heavy duty components which include a heavy front bumper and all steel protective grill. Aside from a few changes to accommodate the larger engine and new cab design, Herzog said the other components are exactly the same as the previous generation.

K.H. Becker described some of the efforts taken by Daimler-Benz to help dealers in the Kingdom. He displayed parts and mechanic's manuals which have been especially prepared in Arabic.

Juffali urged the dealers present at the meeting to encourage youth from their area to attend his mechanics' training school. He said that they would be offered expert training, would be provided with housing and expenses and be guaranteed a job after completing the training.

"We welcome apprentices from any part of the Kingdom," Juffali said. "We also send promising students onto Germany for advanced training when they show outstanding talents."

E.A. Juffali has just signed an agreement with the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor which enables students who complete the two-year courses to receive a mechanic's certificate which is recognized throughout the Kingdom. He even said that after they complete the course they are not pressured to work for him.



DEALERS VIEW TRUCKS: A new line of Daimler-Benz trucks were shown to dealers from across the Kingdom Wednesday by E. A. Juffali Brothers. The latest models feature a new cab design while the standard bonneted model will remain unchanged.

200 firms, 20 countries in show

Electronic exhibitors prepare presentations

JEDDAH, Nov. 24 — Saudi Arabia will host the Middle East Electricity and Electronics Exhibition — the biggest event of its kind ever organized in the region — from Feb. 5-9 1983 at the Jeddah Expo Center.

The exhibition has already attracted nearly 200 companies from up to 20 countries, including leading manufacturers, agents and distributors from Saudi Arabia itself.

These companies will be taking up over 5,000 square meters of space in order to mount, in one place and at one time, a comprehensive presentation featuring equipment and services associated with power generation, supply, utilization and electronics.

The Saudi Arabian exhibitors will be joined at the Jeddah Expo Center by leading companies from Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Swe-

den, Switzerland, Turkey, U.K., U.S.A. and West Germany. In view of the importance of the Saudi Arabian market, many will be exhibiting in large national groups with the support of their governments.

The exhibition will take place at a time when the Kingdom (through the Third Five Year Development Plan 1981-85) is continuing to allocate their substantial resources to the development of its electrical infrastructure.

The plan includes the following allocations:

- * 7,568 MW increase in utility supplied generating capacity.
- * 2,840 MW of new dual purpose power desalination plant operated by the Saline Water Conversion Corporation.
- * 6,300 km of new transmission and sub-transmission lines.

- * Connection of 600,000 new consumers, bringing electricity to 80 percent of the population.
- * 1,850 km of roads to be provided with lighting.

The implementation of this plan provides tremendous opportunities to Saudi Arabia and international suppliers.

Exchange firms receive warning about deposits

RIYADH, Nov. 24 (SPA) — The Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry has warned currency exchange companies against receiving deposits and to confine their activities to the limits of their license.

The chamber cited a royal decree approving a Council of Ministers Decision that all currency exchange dealers should not accept deposits. The cabinet resolution also calls for halting issuance of licenses for currency exchange.

The chamber said that companies in violation of the regulations will be subject to penalties under the bank control rules, including the confiscation of license.

Officials discuss child welfare achievements

GENEVA, Nov. 24 (SPA) — Prince Fahd ibn Sultan, labor and social affairs undersecretary for social welfare, conferred here Tuesday with Qatari Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ali Al-Ansari and United Arab Emirates Labor and Social Affairs Minister

Saif Al Jarwan. The two officials are here to attend the meeting that opened here later in the day of the executive bureau of the general council of the International Association for Children Welfare.

The meeting discussed the ways and means

Chatti tells King Hassan, Islamic world backs Arab Summit decisions

RABAT, Nov. 24 (SPA) — Habib Chatti, the secretary general of the Jeddah-based Organization of the Islamic Conference, Tuesday told King Hassan II of Morocco that the Islamic world backed the decisions of the 12th Arab Summit Conference recently held in Fez.

Chatti added that the Islamic world was ready to implement those decisions until their noble objective is achieved. In a departure statement, after attending the first meeting of the board of directors of the Islamic Center

for the Development of Trade, in Casablanca, Chatti said that he discussed with King Hassan II the holding of a meeting of Al-Quds (Jerusalem) Committee to look into the Fez decisions. He also took up with the king the preparations for the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference due to be held in Morocco toward the end of next year.

The OIC secretary general said that the Fez Summit had given a new impetus to the Palestinian cause, because it united Arab ranks around a central purpose and plan.

to improve coordination among the three countries and highlight their major achievements in the field of children welfare. The prince also conferred with the secretary general of the association Gene Babel and reviewed with him the agenda of the conference.

Prince Fahd is attending the meeting as a member of the executive bureau of the association to which the Kingdom contributed some \$300,000 last year. In addition to its usual subscription, the amount was allocated for fostering the fund for technical assistance to the association and the general technical assistance fund as well as certain projects of the association.

Meanwhile, in Riyadh, Ahmad Al-Yahya, labor undersecretary for labor affairs, conferred Tuesday with the directors of the two labor offices of the Southern Province in Abha. He discussed with them the improvement of work conditions and the services extended by the bureau to the workers and employers.

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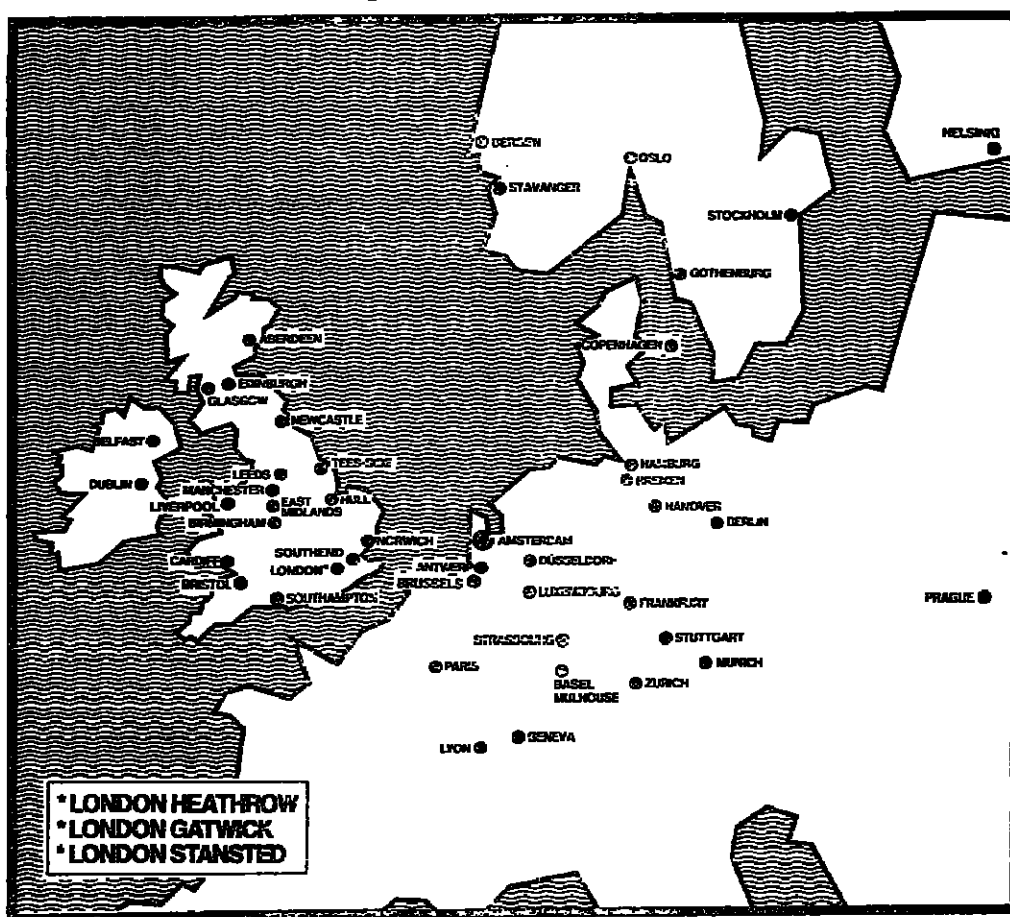
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Mitterrand-Mubarak talks focus on M.E. peace quest

CAIRO, Nov. 24 (AP) — French President Francois Mitterrand, who was quoted in Egyptian newspapers as favoring a Palestinian state on the West Bank, arrived Wednesday on a three-day visit expected to focus on Middle East peace efforts.

After a welcoming ceremony at Cairo International Airport, Mitterrand and his wife, Danielle, arrived at the presidential palace, where they were met by President Hosni Mubarak, who offered them privately for 70 minutes with only

EEC chief urges Israeli flexibility

BRUSSELS, Nov. 24 (AP) — The European Commission's Middle East envoy urged the Israeli government to abandon "damaging" settlements policies and show flexibility in its relations with Palestinians.

The Israeli government must change its policies if we are to establish good relations in the area," Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen told reporters after a meeting of Common Market foreign ministers today.

Ellemann-Jensen, as president of the foreign ministers' council, will meet Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin in Israel on Sunday for a second round of Mideast talks. In recent weeks he has been in Lebanon and Jordan and has met Palestinian Liberation Organization leaders at United Nations headquarters.

Shultz meets expelled Arab mayors

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz Tuesday met with two mayors of West Bank communities who were dismissed from their posts by Israeli military occupation authorities and expelled to Jordan. Although it was the first time of its kind with the secretary, U.S. officials have had frequent contacts with officials in the West Bank.

The two, Fahd Kawasmi, former mayor of Jericho, the largest city in the West Bank, and Muhammad Milhem, former mayor of Irbid, spent 45 minutes with Shultz. They

their interpreters present. The two issued no statement following the private session, held in an oak-paneled office.

While the two presidents were meeting, French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson was conferring with his Egyptian counterpart, Kamel Hassan Ali, and with Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs, Butros Ghali. "We discussed the Lebanese crisis and the Egyptian and French relations, and the question of ending Israeli and foreign occupation of Lebanon," Ali said in a statement after the session.

"We reviewed efforts for a peaceful settlement of the Palestinian problem and President Reagan's initiative. We also surveyed the situation in Africa and as you know, Egypt as an African country is deeply concerned with the current divisions on the African scene."

Ali said he and Cheysson also reviewed other Middle Eastern matters, including Mitterrand's reported support for establishment of a Palestinian state.

The visit was Mitterrand's second to Egypt since he took office 18 months ago and the fifth meeting with Mubarak during the same period. Mitterrand's first trip as president was to attend the funeral of the slain President Anwar Sadat in October 1981.

Welcoming signs with pictures of the two presidents had been erected around the airport area. After a brief stop in the VIP Lounge, the two leaders and their wives traveled by motorcade to Kubbah Palace.

Shultz said after the meeting they discussed the Middle East peace process. Asked if they favored simultaneously recognition by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization of each other, they said only, "Everyone in the area prays for peace."

Earlier Tuesday, Egyptian Defense Minister Gen. Abou Ghazala discussed the Middle East situation and security problems with Shultz. State Department officials said. Abu Ghazala earlier asked Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger to increase U.S. military aid by \$400 million next year.

Egypt denies freezing ties with Israel

CAIRO, Nov. 24 (Agencies) — President Hosni Mubarak denied in an interview published Wednesday that Egyptian-Israeli relations were frozen and said Israel was claiming this in hope for "increased cooperation." Mubarak told the French television that under no condition will Egypt accept Israeli preconditions on the return of the Egyptian ambassador to Israel before they start talks on the disputed border area of Taba. The interview was carried by the Middle East News Agency.

"I do not see anything strange or that relations are frozen as they (Israel) claim. We recalled our ambassador for consultations. I do not think there is any freeze like the Israelis claim but they say so because they want to ask for increased cooperation," Mubarak said.

Egypt recalled its Ambassador Saad Murad on Sept. 20 to protest the continued Israeli presence in Lebanon and the massacre of Palestinian refugees in West Beirut.

"Israel said that they would not start talks on Taba until the return of the Egyptian ambassador... We will never accept preconditions whatever the circumstances," Mubarak said.

200 women protest detention of husbands by Lebanese Army

BEIRUT, Nov. 24 (AP) — More than 200 Lebanese and Palestinian women marched through the streets of Beirut Wednesday demanding the release of their husbands and sons from Lebanese Army prisons. Some screaming and many in tears, the women called for Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan to intervene and free the men who were arrested more than a month ago during the army's crackdown in West Beirut.

"Where is your pledge Mr. Wazzan? They've taken the sons of Islam," the women chanted as they marched more than a kilometer down the broad Corniche Mazraa boulevard. The women were protesting the army's arrests in its crackdown in late September and October of leftist militiamen.

They also accused rightist Christian militiamen from the Phalangist Party of kidnapping dozens of Muslims from West Beirut and taking them to East Beirut. The women called on President Amin Gemayel to intervene. "We want a government to protect us,



President Hosni Mubarak

tions whatever the circumstances," Mubarak said.

Taba is a one square kilometer border area which overlooks the Israeli port of Eilat. The talks will lay down procedures for settling the dispute by conciliation or arbitration.

Mubarak said no date has been set for the return of the ambassador.

Meanwhile, Mubarak will visit Bonn for talks with West Germany's new center-right government on Dec. 13-14, official sources in Bonn said Wednesday. The visit will be Chancellor Helmut Kohl's first contact with a Middle East leader since he took office last month.

Amin," they chanted. "We want a clear stand against the practices of the militias."

This was the second demonstration against the army's tactics in West Beirut. In mid-October hundreds of people gathered in southern Beirut to protest the bulldozing of houses in poor neighborhoods near the Beirut International Airport. The government said the army bulldozed the concrete block shanties because they were constructed illegally and endangered planes landing at the airport.

Wednesday's protest march was halted midway from the Gamal Abdul Nasser Mosque to the prime minister's office by two Lebanese Army tanks.

Soldiers told the demonstrators to disperse. But after a brief argument, 15 of the women were taken in army jeeps and land rovers to Wazzan's office. The women left after being told the prime minister would see them Thursday, a spokesman for Wazzan said.

Arafat arrives in Damascus for crucial PLO meetings

DAMASCUS, Nov. 24 (R) — The Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat arrived in Syria from Algeria Wednesday and chaired a meeting of the PLO leadership, Palestinian sources said.

They said Arafat was due to preside over a larger meeting of PLO leaders Thursday night. This session of the 60-man Palestine Central Council is due to discuss when and where to hold the next meeting of the Palestine National Council, the Palestinians' parliament in exile.

The series of meeting in Damascus, which the sources said were aimed at mapping out the PLO's strategy for the coming year, were delayed for several days, apparently by tension between Arafat and the Syrian government.

Iran to keep volunteers in Lebanon

LONDON, Nov. 24 (R) — Iranian President Ali Khamenei said Wednesday his country would not withdraw its revolutionary guards from Lebanon, Tehran radio said. Khamenei said the guardsmen were in the war-ravaged country at the request of the Lebanese people and would continue to remain there as long as Iran deemed it necessary.

The Iranian president denied that Iranians had been involved in actions against the

Begin survives no-confidence vote

TEL AVIV, Nov. 24 (AP) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin's coalition Wednesday defeated a no-confidence motion introduced by the opposition Labor Party over government allegations that it was trying to unseat Begin by getting the United States to cut aid to Israel. The vote was 59-50 with 11 absent.

A New York Times article saying Labor officials were in favor of aid cuts created the uproar which led to the stormy five-hour

PLO officials confer with Ali Nasser

ADEN, South Yemen, Nov. 24 (AP) — Leaders of two factions of the Palestine Liberation Organization wound up talks here with the South Yemeni government Wednesday. According to a government communique, George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine conferred with South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad Tuesday night on future cooperation between Aden and the PLO.

Similar talks were conducted Wednesday by Samir Ghosli, head of the Palestine Popu-

larian government have long been uneasy and they left a new low with official Syrian criticism of his recent talks in Jordan with King Hussein.

Since the PLO was evacuated from Beirut in August after an Israeli siege, it has been under pressure from the United States to recognize Israel and to take part in U.S.-sponsored Middle East peace talks. In September President Reagan proposed a plan for Palestinian self-rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in association with Jordan.

Arafat gave a cautious welcome to parts of the Reagan plan and after his talks with King Hussein said the Palestinians were ready to accept a link with Jordan. But he said this could come about only after the Palestinians had their own independent state.

Lebanese government.

Lebanese Foreign Minister Elie Salem summoned the Iranian ambassador to Beirut Tuesday and discussed with him reports that Iranians had been involved in anti-government violence in the eastern town Baalbek, where local Shiite militiamen and Iranian guardsmen have a strong presence. Iran sent some 1,000 volunteers to fight in Lebanon after Israel invaded the country last June.

debate. The party's chairman, Shimon Peres, and his foreign affairs spokesman, Abba Eban, who met with Max Frankel, author of the article, vehemently denied unguing aid cuts.

Justice Minister Moshe Nisim, who was signaled out by Labor because of his attacks on the party following publication of the article, told parliament he had no reason to doubt the accuracy of Frankel's report.

lar Struggle Front, and the Yemeni Socialist Party's Central Committee. South Yemen was one of eight Arab countries which took in PLO commandos evacuated from Israeli-surrounded West Beirut last summer.

Habash and Ghosli arrived here over the weekend for consultations before the PLO's Central Committee meeting set for Thursday in Damascus.

During Ghosli's talks the importance of strong Syrian-PLO ties was stressed, the communique said.



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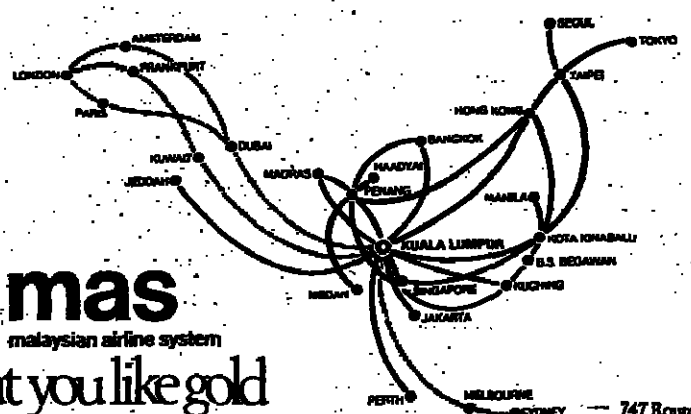


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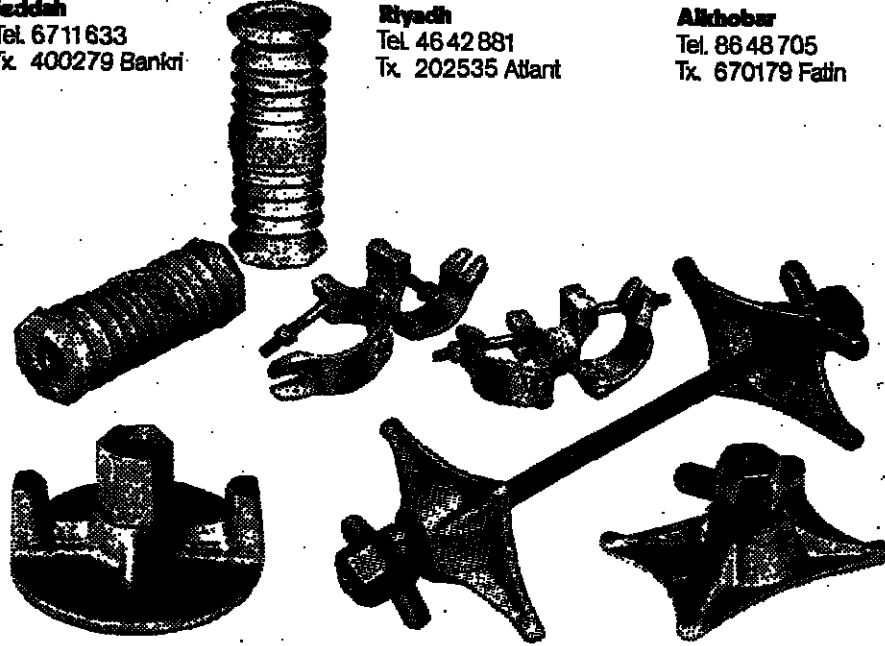
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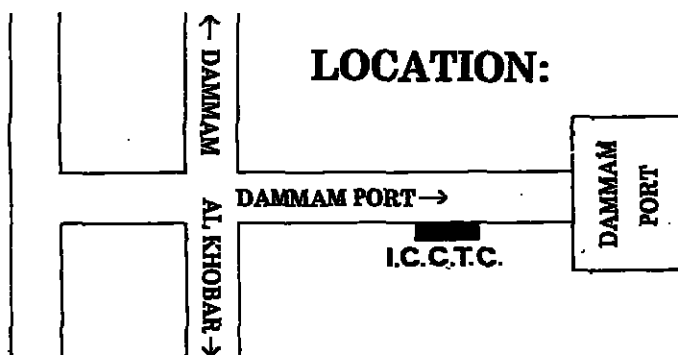


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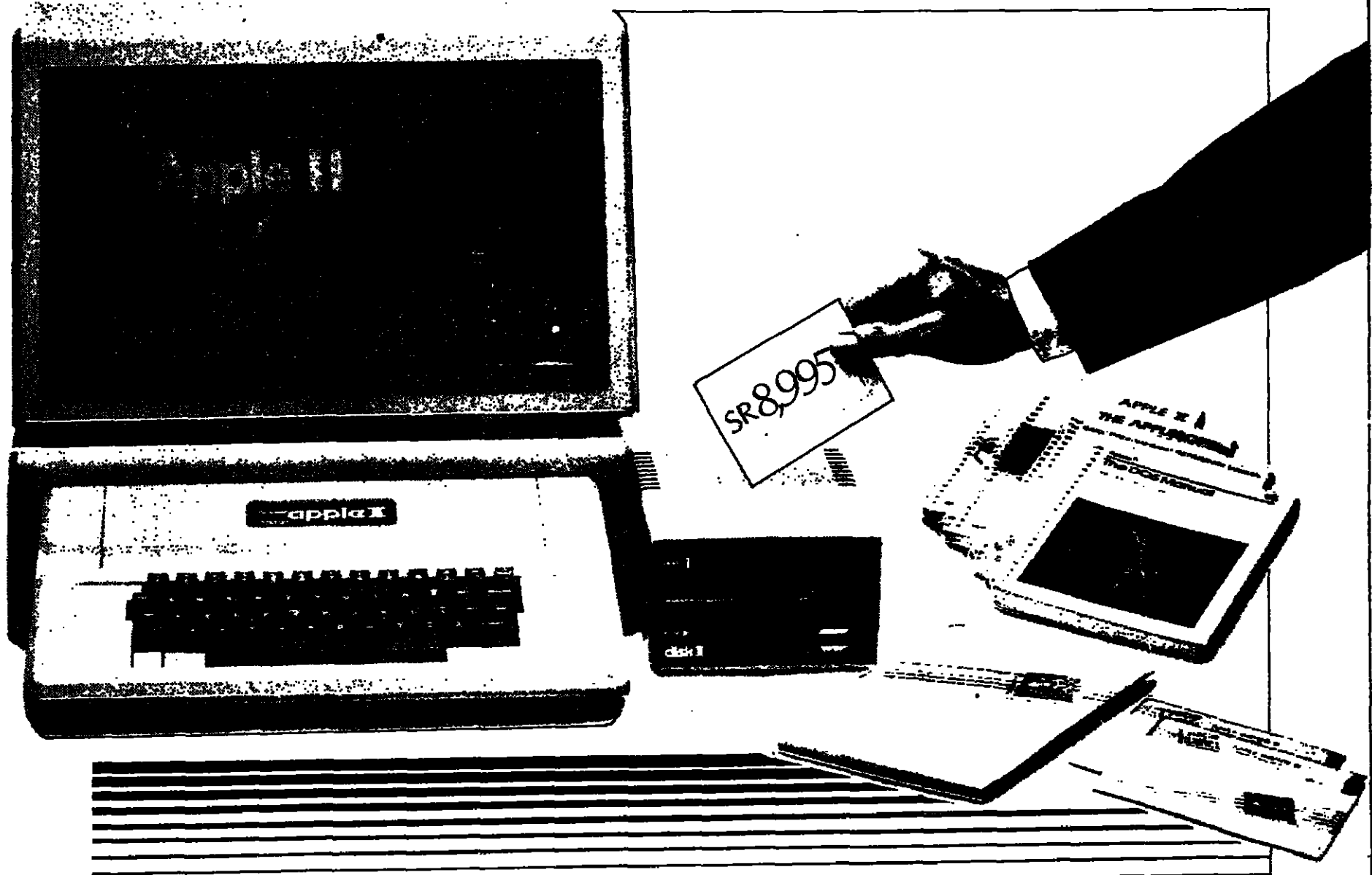
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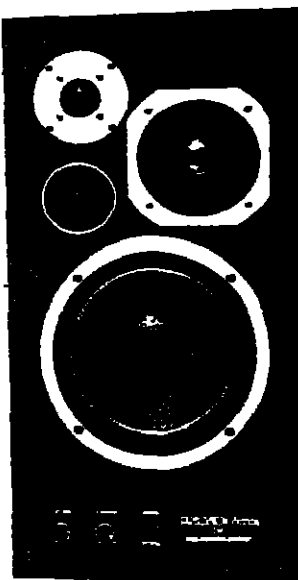
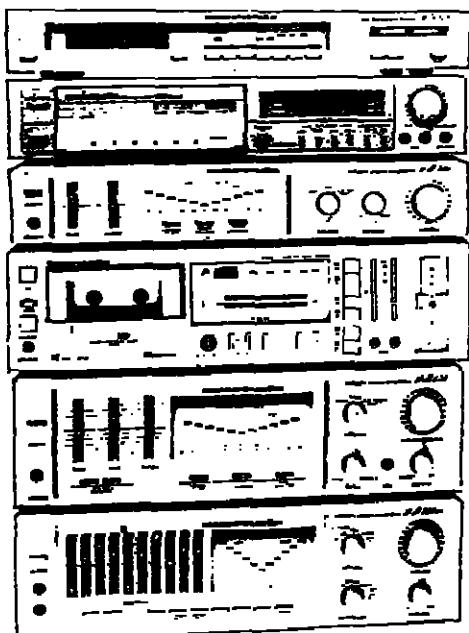
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GATT CONFERENCE

The 88 states which began a meeting in Geneva yesterday under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) have a lot to worry about with the global recession appearing unlikely to recede in the foreseeable future.

This has led to certain protectionist tendencies to offset the severe losses that some countries have incurred in the past few years. The good old days ushered in by GATT in encouraging the free flow of trade may now be a thing of the past.

While the U.S. is warning against a potential trade war which could do immense harm, Japan is quite likely to come under intense pressure to ease its export onslaught and open the country up more widely to imports from its trading partners. So far, Japan has been a selfish partner who wants unfettered freedom to swamp the world with its products while allowing only minor imports to its own markets. Its rate of unemployment is almost zero against a two-digit one in the West.

The result has been high rates of unemployment in Europe and the U.S. and greater poverty in the Third World and it was no pure rhetoric that prompted the director general of the Food and Agricultural Organization to lament the mounting misery of the world's poor countries.

"In fact," he said "we can see what amounts to progressive impoverishment of the already poor Third World". Addressing the opening session of the organization's 49-state council, Edward Saouma said that the heavy debts and rising food bills as well as unfavorable terms of trade have become worse over the last few years.

Their plight has hardly been helped by Western trade and aid policies, unrealistic exchange rate fluctuations and the overvalued U.S. dollar, nor to forget the rampant corruption and political instability of many of them.

If protectionism is dreaded by the industrial states, except when it is directed against Japan, the GATT conference must find a way to alleviate the suffering of the poorer members some of whom have already achieved the dubious distinction of hurtling rapidly below the poverty line recognized by the United Nations.

Saudi Arabian press review

Wednesday's newspapers hailed the positive outcome of King Fahd's visit to Algeria and said it was another milestone in strengthening Arab solidarity and healing Arab rifts.

Commenting on the joint communiqué issued at the end of King Fahd's three-day visit to Algeria, *Al-Riyadh* said it projected joint political dimensions which placed Arab interests high on the agenda of priorities and collective action.

Al-Jazirah said King Fahd's leading role in ironing out Arab differences and mobilizing Arab potential was aimed at serving the Arab nation's decisive cause, namely the Palestine question.

The paper referred to King Fahd's many useful diplomatic initiatives, saying a unified Arab peace plan adopted by the Arab League was the latest such initiative.

Al-Bilad said King Fahd's talks with President Chadli Benjedid as fruitful and constructive.

Al-Bilad said King Fahd's talks in Algiers had given new dimensions to moves to strengthen the Arab potential to counter challenges threatening the Arab and Islamic world.

Al-Yam said King Fahd's visit would have positive results not only for bilateral relations but also for the Arab and Islamic world's higher interests.

Referring to Benjedid's meeting with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, the paper said the two leaders had affirmed the necessity of finding a fair and durable solution to the Middle East question. It also noted the tripartite meeting between King Fahd, Benjedid and Arafat and said it demonstrated the three leaders' determination to unitedly strive for a collective stand to realize Arab objectives.

Okaz said one of the positive results of King Fahd's talks with Benjedid was the formation of a joint Saudi-Algerian committee to promote bilateral cooperation in various spheres.

Referring to the Saudi monarch's visit to Morocco, the paper said the trip was within the framework of King Fahd's keenness to create an atmosphere of inter-Arab confidence in line with his efforts to achieve Arab unity and mobilize the Arab and Islamic nation's potential in the service of its higher interests. (SPA)



Brezhnev ignored KGB advice against Afghanistan invasion

By Michael Simmons

Moscow's decision to back the seizure of power in Afghanistan was taken by the late President Brezhnev against the specific advice of the KGB, then headed by Yuri Andropov, who has just succeeded him as Soviet leader. As a result, the Soviets are now embroiled in a war they "cannot win and cannot abandon."

These views emerge in an interview, published and given shortly before Brezhnev's death by Vladimir Kuzichkin, a serving KGB officer in Tehran until last June when he defected to live in Britain. The interview took place at an unspecified meeting place in London and appeared in *Time* magazine. Kuzichkin, who describes Afghanistan as Moscow's "Vietnam," says he sees no prospect of the

Soviet troops withdrawing from the country in the foreseeable future. He depicts Brezhnev as an autocratic leader, apparently lacking in sound judgment and willing to disregard the views of KGB and army officers involved.

The suggestion, even though it clearly cannot be officially confirmed, that Brezhnev may have ignored KGB advice is particularly significant now that Andropov is in power. The implication is that there was fundamental disagreement between the Brezhnev and Andropov factions of the policy-making Politburo which could, with the change that has now occurred in the Soviet leadership, herald a change in policies relating to Afghanistan.

The KGB view of Afghanistan, even in the late 1970s, was, according to Kuzichkin, that it should be left to stew in its own juice, and that it could do

no credit either to the Soviet Union or to the Communist cause. "But Mr. Brezhnev and his colleagues," he says, "brushed aside the vitally important warnings which the KGB was giving them — and disaster ensued."

Brezhnev is also said to have ignored the KGB's "tactful" explanation that a Communist takeover in Afghanistan presented "hair-raising problems" and that to make Muhammad Taraki the country's leader would be "a disastrous choice." Taraki finished in power, slaughtering "any opposition within his reach," and telling Moscow "to mind its own business." Brezhnev, in the Kuzichkin version, "would do nothing to stop this slaughter."

When Amin "seemingly emerged from nowhere" to be Taraki's deputy, the KGB view was that he would, once in power, expel the Soviet

Union lock, stock and barrel from Afghanistan. "Despite our warnings — and to our complete amazement," says the defector, "Mr. Brezhnev backed Amin... Taraki stepped straight from the presidency to his grave. Moscow was willing to turn a blind eye to that..."

Kuzichkin does not once mention Andropov by name but gives interesting insights, assuming his version is a true one, of how the KGB operates. He talks of the Soviet soldiers assassinating Amin as all wearing Afghan uniforms, of Amin's cook being a KGB agent, and of Babrak Karmal, the present Afghan leader, as "a KGB agent."

He argues that the Soviets, who are now reported to have more than 100,000 troops in Afghanistan, went into the country because the Politburo thought the Muslim revolution there could succeed. They had overestimated the willingness of the Afghan Army to fight and underestimated Afghan resistance.

"Now no-one in the USSR is happy," he concludes. "Soviet troops are bogged down, and Karmal has not established effective leadership." (The Guardian)

Letter to the editor

Social insurance benefits

Sir,
Most of the foreign employees especially from Asian countries are seeking employment in Saudi Arabia at the age of 25 and 30 and the maximum period they stay here is between five and 10 years. Afterward, they leave for their homelands without any social insurance benefits. Under social insurance regulations, they can only expect their insurance benefits after about 20 to 25 years, or at the age of 58. In this long period most of the insured people may lose their exit-re-entry visas and even their social insurance cards, and consequently lose the money they have deposited.

To avoid this situation I suggest that the authorities concerned pay the social insurance contribution along with the employer's contribution to the insured people at the time of their final departure from the Kingdom. I think this will help foreign employees get an immediate benefit from the Social Insurance Scheme.

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Galtieri blames others for Falklands defeat

By Jimmy Burns

BUENOS AIRES — Argentina's former President Leopoldo Galtieri has sought to exculpate himself from the humiliations of the Falklands war in a series of lengthy interviews for a new book. In a chapter leaked to the mass circulation weekly *Gente* Galtieri implicitly blames Gen. Mario Benjamin Menendez, the former military governor of Port Stanley, and other field commanders for the defeat.

In one of the most outspoken accounts of the war to have emerged publicly in Argentina, Galtieri claims that both he and other members of the junta acted throughout the war according to the information that Menendez forwarded to Buenos Aires, and that on no occasion did the military governor ask for reinforcements.

According to Galtieri, only once was a request made by an Argentine field commander: "The general (not named) assured me that all that was required were 10,000 pairs of boots and 10,000 pairs of long-johns. Nothing else. The man asked for absolutely nothing else..."

As for diplomatic failures during the war, the former president puts much of the blame on his fellow junta members and on the former foreign minister, Nicanor Costa Mendez. He claims that while the whole of the leadership backed the April 2

invasion, only he suggested that Argentina should seek a ceasefire once the United States announced it would give military help to Britain. The suggestion, which might have averted the war, was turned down by Air Force Commander Brig. Basilio Lami Dozo, Navy Commander Admiral Jorge Anaya, and Costa Mendez, he says.

In one of the most controversial parts of the book, Galtieri dismisses Argentina's military losses (in terms of men killed and wounded) as greatly exaggerated. "Just take a look at the average list of road accidents in Argentina," he says, claiming that Argentina war deaths were no worse.

Galtieri's remarks are understood to have broken a pact made by the three members of the former junta and by Costa Mendez soon after the end of the war. This was that none would publicize his views without mutual agreement, and that if any major revelation was to be made it should be in a book written by all four.

Galtieri's former partners in power are believed to be furious. Although the former president has issued a public denial that he is responsible for the book, sources say the text presented to *Gente* forms part of a transcript of hours of interviews recorded by two Argentine journalists in a series of secret meetings at Galtieri's Buenos Aires home.

Menendez has already issued a series of state-

ments denying the suggestion that he alone was responsible for the conduct of the war and that Galtieri had no part in the military strategy. Menendez is understood to have asked for reinforcements throughout the war but his requests were nearly always "ignored" by Buenos Aires. Menendez points out that Galtieri, along with the present army chief, Gen. Cristino Nicolaides, visited the islands after the invasion and had as much knowledge of the situation as he had.

Menendez is reported to reflect the views of a number of generals and junior and middle-ranking officers who believe that in the post-mortem conducted so far on the war, former members of the junta and other senior officers based on the mainland have slipped too easily off the hook.

This dissatisfaction appears to have led to the announcement by the new junta that it is setting up a fresh inquiry into the war.

In September Gen. America Daher, former commander of Argentine troops on the islands, warned that the country could face military rebellion unless wider responsibility was apportioned for the defeat. His remarks came after an initial inquiry into the conduct of the war had left the former members of the junta immune from formal sanctions. Daher is facing a court martial for his remarks. (ONS)

Aquino to continue battle against Marcos

By Paul Icanina

BOSTON — "I'm finished," said former Senator Benigno S. Aquino Jr. of his future in Philippine politics. "As much as possible, I've had it." But as quickly as he said that in an interview with *Depthnews*, he added: "I'll continue fighting in my own way. You have to put up or shut up. Action, not words, counts now."

If Senator Aquino is confusing, he is indeed confusing to most people. So much so that his critics say that while it is good tactical sense to confuse President Marcos, it is not if Aquino confuses other people as well. For instance, in July 1981, Aquino stressed that nothing is accomplished by chaos. Two weeks later, he warned that if martial law is not lifted, the country will be engulfed in a "massive urban guerrilla warfare."

Still later, he boasted of a \$100 million fund raised through kidnappings, bank robberies and blackmail. President Marcos then called Aquino's rhetoric as "fantastic, stupid and ridiculous. He should have asked them not only to cure his heart, but cure his mind."

Aquino is a big question mark, by himself and by what most people would say could have been his for the taking, the Philippine presidency if the election was not overtaken by martial law. He vows to go back "even to prison," then says he will not do so if he will be only "useless" there. He enjoys the stature of a Harvard University fellow, but is under the shadow of a speedy implementation of a promised retrial on charges of subversion, illegal possession of firearms, murder and rebellion, for which he was found guilty by a military tribunal in 1977. The sentence then was death by firing squad.

He is highly regarded in Washington as the most probable — and acceptable to the United States — alternative to a takeover of the Communists or a government not sympathetic to U.S. interests. Yet,

the Philippine left distrusts him as a member of the political elite, who "reduces the root cause of all our problems to the uncertainty of tenure of the present martial law regime. Either he is so naive or chooses to ignore the fact that the Filipino nation is struggling for liberation against imperialist domination."

Still, Aquino maintains that the outlawed National Democratic Front (a left-leaning grouping of anti-government forces, including the Communists) "has sent out feelers to say that now our main difference, which is the American question, has gone. The (U.S. military) bases must be out. The enemy is American imperialism."

But in a controversial letter to former Senator Lorenzo M. Tanada leaked to the press two months ago, he insisted that "for tactical reasons, it is not wise to openly admit any Communist connections or even alliance because this would trigger the most extreme U.S. reaction."

"If we openly admit our hatred for America and make as one of our major planks the immediate closure of U.S. bases, Marcos will get all the assistance from Washington the same way (El Salvador) junta is getting all the assistance today."

He is a seemingly defeated man, an exile with an expired visa, the 49-year-old former darling of the Philippine Congress one year away from the new constitutional 50-year-old limit to qualify for the presidency. Manila still remembers the April 1978, "noise" demonstration on the eve of the last National Assembly polls when Aquino ran in what critics say was a heavily rigged election. The night before, city residents poured into streets and in houses and cars created as much racket lasting well into midnight.

Aquino is presently a fellow at the Center for International Affairs at Harvard here, where he lives with his family. After he was allowed by Marcos to go to the U.S. for heart surgery — after more

than seven years in prison — Aquino has been busy in Harvard, meeting various Filipino opposition groups, doing the lecture circuit, as well as writing two books.

He told *Depthnews* he was withholding their publication on the advice of friends who felt it is too premature. "In other words, the books might create more enemies than friends. And I felt that if I cannot publish the books in all candor, I might as well hold back." The books, he said, "will call a spade a spade. I'm not only blaming Marcos, I'm blaming a raft of many leaders for the debacle in the Philippines."

He won't reveal yet what's in the books, saying instead the Filipinos did not regret the abolition of congress in 1972 because they have lost faith on it anyway. "It is a self-examination of the political system, where we failed, and then hopefully, knowing our mistakes, we won't repeat them."

Meanwhile, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) has requested Harvard, which agreed for Aquino's transfer to MIT's Center for International Studies where he will try to set up a Center for Southeast Asian Studies. "I find this move propitious," he said, "because I have already gotten what I want to get (in Harvard) and I needed a new environment."

Aquino looks healthy and hearty, his boyish face and grin still having the confidence of a political veteran and sophisticated. He is as fast-talking as ever, his stomach hinting a middle age belly. And he aches to get back home.

"Mr. Marcos has ruined my family," he said. "They took 14 of our corporations, they took away the bank. It's all right. He reduced me to almost a pauper for seven years. I sold all of my assets. I went to America with \$50. But I managed. The standards of living, may have suffered, but it's okay." (Depthnews).

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Nov. 25th, the 329th day of 1982. There are 36 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1542 — Scots under James V are routed by Britain at battle of Solway Moss.

1758 — British forces capture Senegal.

1875 — Britain buys 176,602 shares in Suez Canal from Khedive of Egypt.

1911 — Chinese revolutionaries bomb Nankai.

1965 — Gen. Joseph Mobutu deposes President Joseph Kasavubu in the Congo.

1967 — More than 65 people die in Colombia town after eating bread contaminated by an insecticide.

1973 — Greece's President George Papadopoulos is ousted in military coup.

1975 — South American country of Surinam granted independence from the Netherlands.

1977 — U.N. General Assembly condemns Israeli occupation of Arab lands, with only 14 votes against the resolution — cast by Israel, the United States, Canada and El Salvador.

1978 — Iran Army spokesman says Shah's forces will "mercilessly" crush new street protests.

1980 — Polish workers stage widespread slowdowns in continuing effort to gain labor independence.

Thought for today:

No trumpets sound when the important decisions of our life are made. Destiny is made known silently. — Agnes de Mille, U.S. choreographer (1908).

Al-Sawda--an enchanting beauty spot in Asir Mountains

By Radha Barari

Fifteen thousand years ago, much of Arabia was grassland, with a more moderate climate and greater rainfall. The deep wadis of today were carved out by the eroding action of the runoff from the highlands. One such valley is the Wadi Hail below the Al-Sawda region in the Asir Mountains. Overlooking the Wadi is a jutting hilltop that provides, perhaps, one of the most breathtaking views of Saudi Arabia.

The Asir National Park, designed for the conservation of the flora and fauna of the region, lies virtually adjacent to the Wadi. Apart from conservation, the project also aims at the beautification of the area and the creation of camping sites and picnic spots that will give visitors a chance to enjoy, at leisure, the superb natural beauty of the countryside. Much has been done to improve the view from the top of the hill overlooking the Wadi, so that people may use this as a vantage point to survey and appreciate the grandeur of the scene.

This beauty spot in the mountains may be approached by the road that winds through the hills from Abha. A sudden bend in the road provides a lovely glimpse of water, still and blue, surrounded by houses nestling in the hillsides. Further on, one passes the lush greenery of the farming areas, and the unique slate-eaved houses that are typical of the villages in this region. A road branches off toward the camping sites. On the left, another road leads to a specially created picnic spot. Above this, the road heads for a wide bay on the hilltop, directly above the Wadi Hail.

Rows of cars in the gravel car park give way to a shallow ledge that protects the edge of the hilltop. Along this low wall, a number of telescopes have been placed at strategic points, to give the onlooker a closer and sharper view of the gorgeous scene in front of him.

Below the ledge, which follows the rim of the escarpment, the hillside falls away sharply, and gets lost in the deep canyon or "wadi", that has carved its winding, tortuous course along the base of the mountains. A number of hills raise their rugged shoulders on either side of the chasm, fading away in the distance in a haze of cloudy mist.

The hillsides are clothed in exquisite greenery. The twisted branches of numerous trees rise above rocks and boulders that are partially concealed by shrubs. The sharp, cold mountain air is stinging and invigorating. The hilltops are bathed in sunlight, while the deep cleft is hidden in shadowy gloom. Far away, clouds drift across the misty horizon. The onlooker's first reaction will be a gasp of delight at the sheer splendor of the scene. An eye at the telescope and the distant hills suddenly seem close enough to touch. The swirling mist is no longer far away. Rocks and foliage appear in sharp focus. The little path winding down-ward, toward the picnic spot, can be seen in vivid detail. The abyss is only a step away.

There is something primeval about this lonely valley, surrounded by hills. In ancient times, the lowlands in the valley were the hunting grounds of primitive tribesmen and a camping site for nomads. When threatened by the weather, these wandering groups would move up the slopes and seek refuge on the mountaintops, which were secure from floods.

Down the ages, traveling in this area has been a major problem. The tall cliffs and deep valleys have always acted as a natural barrier. In olden days, there were only a few points where caravans could negotiate the steep escarpment. The Wadi Hail provided one such route. Coming up the wadi, the caravans would be able to climb over the edge of the escarpment.

The Al-Sawda escarpment experiences regular, heavy rainfall. Moist air from the Red Sea, moving inland, rises as it reaches the hills. The corresponding drop in temperature causes the formation of clouds which shed their moisture in frequent stormy spells. For the rain lover, these downpours can be exhilarating. Floods, however, can wreak havoc in the wadis. Sometimes, during a sudden heavy storm, water gushes down the smaller wadis, to swell the torrents in the larger ones. Huge boulders may be carried away by the force of the flood, leaving a trail of destruction in their wake. The erosion caused by these floods may well alter the landscape in the years to come. Rocks and cliffs are imperceptibly worn away by the dissolving action of raindrops striking the surface of the slope. Particles of sand and soil are, slowly but steadily, being carried into the wadis below, by the flow of rain water down the hillside. These changes are too gradual to be noticed, but the process is inexorable.

To stem the floods in the Asir region, the Ministry of Agriculture has launched a scheme to build several dams in the area. These projects, while giving protection against floods, are designed to store the excess rain water and distribute it to agricultural areas.

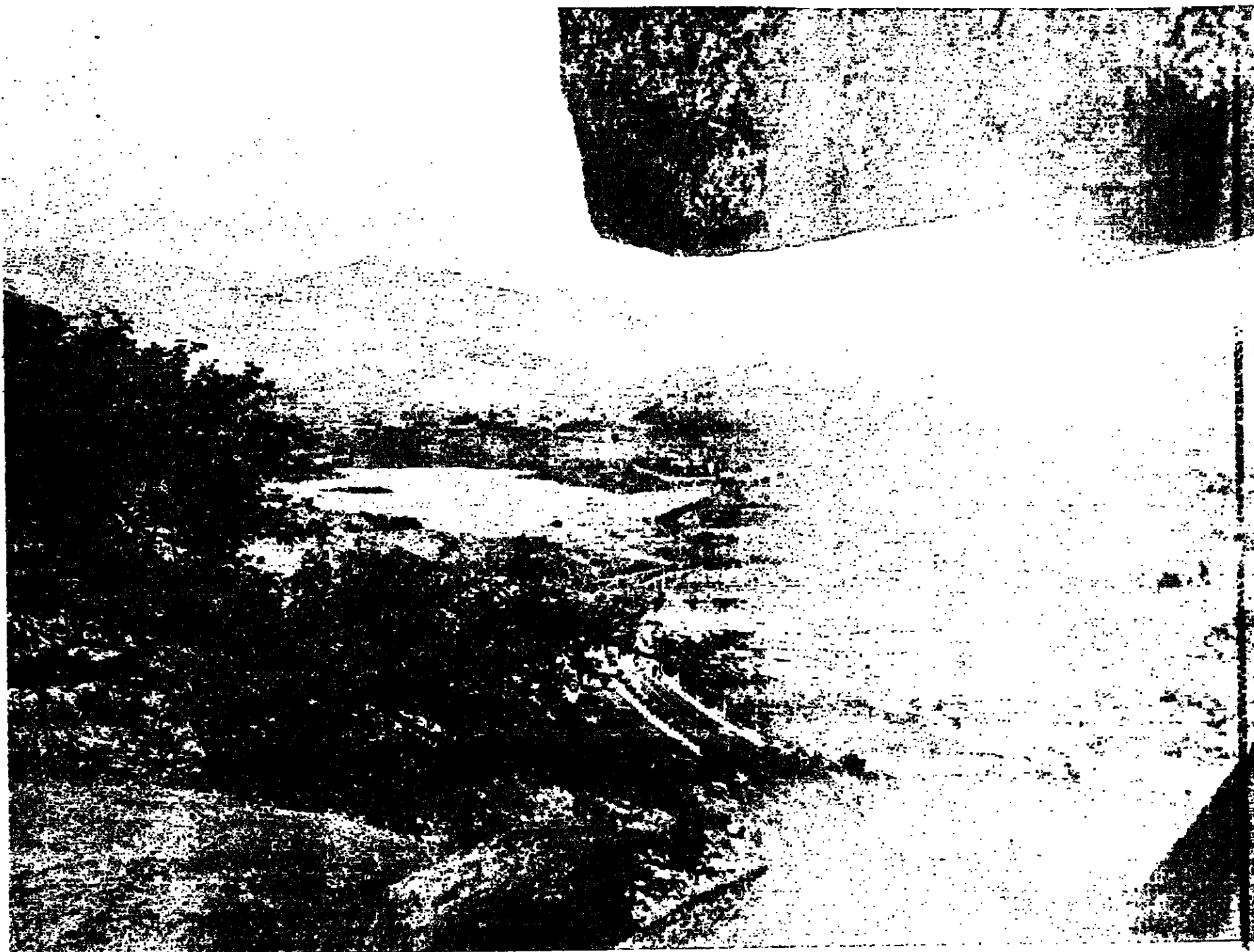
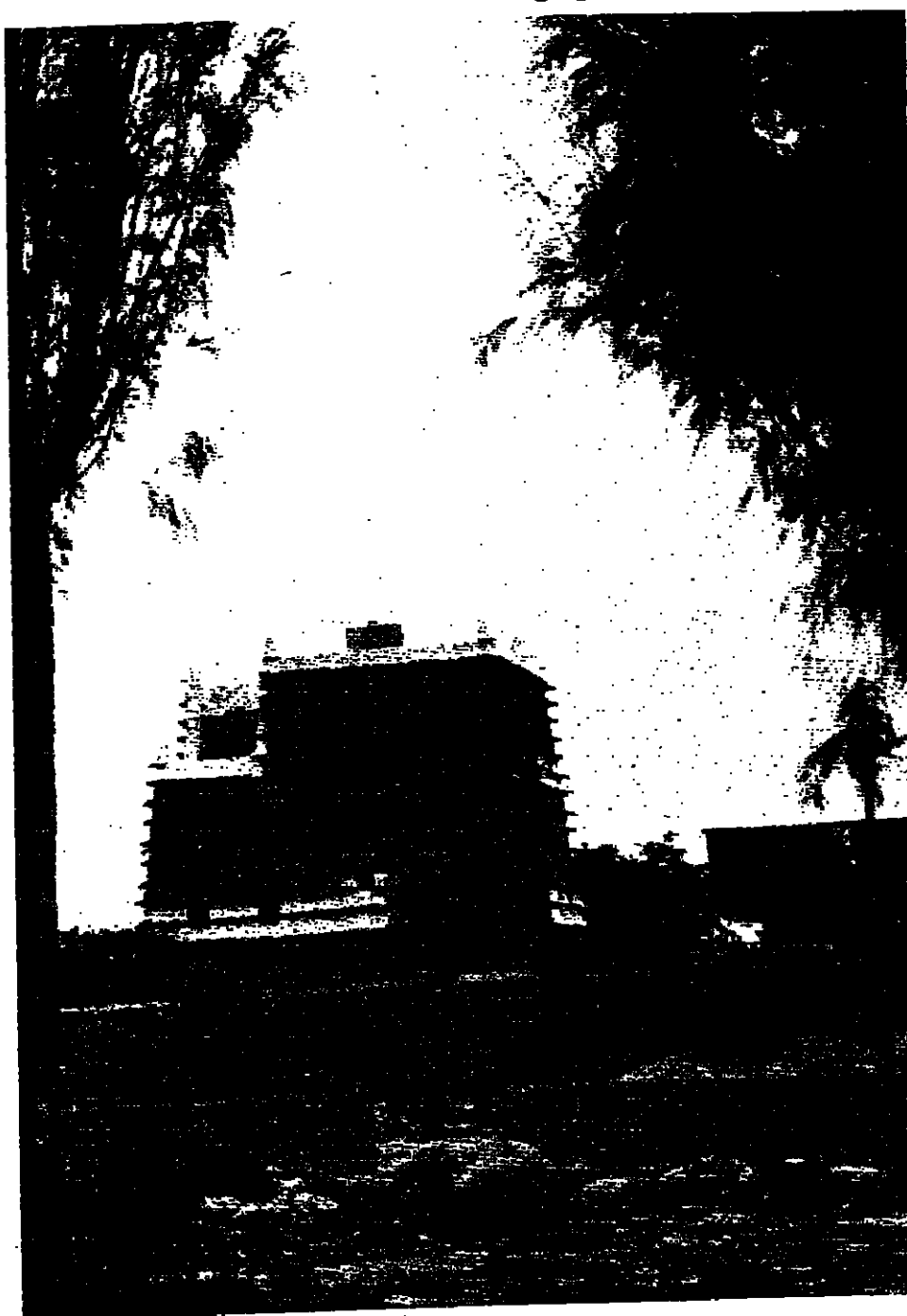
For the bird-watcher, the telescopes above the wadi have a special significance. The wadi is the home of giant scavengers like the Griffon Vulture and the Black Kite. These lordly birds of prey can often be seen soaring above the cliffs. Using their powerful wings, and the strong currents of air passing over the escarpment, they can remain suspended in midair for hours. The Abha highlands also provide haven to certain other species that are the ornithologist's delight, including the golden-winged Grosbeak, the Arabian Accentor and the Yemen thrush.

On a holiday, the place is crowded with tourists who stand, gazing in fascination, at the enchanting beauty of the scene in front of them. The telescopes are in constant use. Here and there, small benches have been thoughtfully provided, for the convenience of those who wish to enjoy the view at leisure. A long figure may sometimes be seen sitting on a rock and musing in solitude. A little, steep path leads down into the picnic area, carpeted with bright green grass and shaded by clumps of trees. There is open space for children to play, and plenty of room for families to enjoy their outing in privacy. In contrast to the deep, silent valley and the quiet, peaceful hilltop, this picnic area reverberates with noise and movement. The aroma of food drifts upward, to the onlookers on the hilltop, and the groups of holidaymakers look like small, colorful dots against the green hillside.

Across the road from the picnic spot is the camping ground that is one of the highlights of the area. A number of exquisite camping sites have been created, to give campers and hikers a chance to make the most of these idyllic surroundings.

In the years to come, the Al-Sawda region, already drawing crowds, may well become one of the foremost tourist attractions in Saudi Arabia.

Photographs by Giovanni Pasquale



THE WADI HAIL: A panoramic view of the Wadi Hail below the Al-Sawda region in the Asir Mountains. Overlooking the wadi is a jutting hilltop.



ROCKS AND BOULDERS: The twisted branches of trees rise above rocks and boulders that are partially concealed by shrubs. Left: These unique houses are typical of the villages in the Al-Sawda region.

Winter chill creeps into Peking ties with foreigners

By Tony Walker

PEKING (Depthnews) — A British diplomat recently had his hair pulled and his car rocked back and forth by a group of Chinese because he drove by mistake through the wrong entrance of Peking's Imperial Palace. "It was a frightening experience," said the diplomat whose wife and parents were in the car with him, "because at one stage, I felt the car may be tipped over."

Like winter itself which is descending on Peking, a chill appears to have crept into relationships between foreigners and the Chinese. "There's a wave of unhelpfulness at the moment in shops and other places of contact," observed one longtime resident who is fluent in Chinese. But there appears no simple explanation for present difficulties, except that the authorities are continuing their campaign against what is termed "bourgeois liberalism" and its foreign "decadent" manifestations such as dancing and popular music.

It is rumored that new instructions have been issued to Chinese that contacts with foreigners be limited to matters involving work. Socializing with them is frowned upon. But as irony would have it, this coincides with a campaign by the Chinese leadership to persuade the world that China is opening up to foreign investment.

In the past 12 months there have been a number of incidents which underline the

uncertainty that continues to surround normal day to day contact between foreigners and locals. One foreign journalist has stopped seeing his Chinese friends whom he'd cultivated over several years. "It's not worth the effort," he says. The recent case involving the French diplomat Sylvie Bernann is typical of the often seemingly capricious response by the authorities to contacts between foreigners and locals. Miss Bernann's car was stopped in a Peking street and her Chinese friend, who had been riding in the car, was taken away by members of a neighborhood militia group. No explanation was given for this apparently arbitrary action.

There was also the case recently of an American television correspondent, Jim Laurie, and Colleen Leung, his Chinese-Canadian friend. They were subjected to several hours of questioning in Laurie's hotel room because security officials assumed Miss Leung was a local Chinese.

Contacts between foreign men and local Chinese women are actively discouraged by the authorities, who put up all sorts of roadblocks in the way of such liaisons. Recently the Chinese fiancée of a British journalist working for an English language Chinese publication was whisked away for questioning by public security officials. The couple applied for a marriage permit several months ago, but have not yet received permission.

It can take months for permission to be granted. There are also certain categories of

Chinese expressly forbidden from marrying foreigners. These are Chinese who may have had access to what is regarded as secret information, even though the levels of classification of this information may be very low. The attitude of Chinese officialdom appears to be that all unpublished material constitutes a state secret. The recent case of the American teacher, Lisa Wichser, is an example of Chinese sensitivity about such material.

Authorities alleged that Miss Wichser was in possession of classified documents gathered in the course of her study of Chinese economics. She was arrested and expelled. A fluent Chinese speaker, Miss Wichser freely admitted that she had gathered background material in her field of study, but said she was unaware that the material was classified. Peking's foreign community feels that Miss Wichser may have been penalized not so much because of her alleged possession of classified documents, but because she had a Chinese fiancée who was the son of a senior official.

The most dramatic case in the past year of intervention by the authorities in a romantic entanglement involving a foreigner and a Chinese was that of the French diplomat Emmanuel Bellefroid and Li Shuang, his fiancée. When Bellefroid was away from Peking, authorities "ambushed" Miss Li outside one of Peking's foreigner's compounds. She ended up in a re-education through labor

camp. No public explanation was given at the time for the police action.

Chinese newspapers keep up persistent criticism of certain foreign influences which are regarded as decadent. Particular targets at the moment are popular music and dancing. Dancing has effectively been banned. In Peking, what passed for the city's only nightclub was closed earlier this year and dances for foreign residents at the International Club have been stopped.

Even jazz is frowned upon. A band which played a little ragtime and some old favorites like "Smoke gets in your eyes" and "Mood" at a Shanghai hotel has recently stopped playing. The explanation of the ban management: the bar in which the band played has been closed for renovation. A guidebook to Western music was recently issued in Peking by the *Peoples Music Press*. The rhythm of jazz, it said, "is against the psychological needs of man."

What is almost certainly causing Chinese authorities most heartburn at the moment is the recent spate of defections. China was particularly angered by the case of Hu Nanyang, a champion tennis player, who sought asylum in the United States earlier this year.

Chinese intellectuals are worried that the cases will make it more difficult for them to study overseas, a dream of many a China best qualified people. A scientist in a recent conversation said he feared restrictions on study outside the country would become more severe.

Revival of herb fair

Koreans still rely on traditional healing methods

By Hong Sung-pyo

SEOUL (Yonhap) — They say it's a long road that has no turning, and there are many signs that Western medical science, newly aware of the efficacy of acupuncture, is beginning, at last, to turn East. With the recent news that in the United States a scientific study will be made of herbal remedies gathered from all over the world, that road could have taken a short-cut straight to the annual autumn herb fair on Namsong-ro Street in Taegu, South Korea: a fair, first opened in the 17th century by royal decree, where you can find the accumulated wisdom of more than 2,000 years of the use of *hanyak* or herbs.

The herb fair is an experience not to be missed. It announces itself to the visitor in its pungent and fragrant scents even before he passes under the entrance and jostles against other eager customers searching for favorite remedies along the 600-meter-long row of shops and booths, festive with flags and colored lanterns.

Herbal medicine and other Oriental healing methods are believed to have been introduced from China to Korea even before the beginning of the Three Kingdoms period (57 B.C. 936 A.D.) on the peninsula. However, it was not until the middle of the Three King-

doms period that Korea started to publish its own pharmacopoeia with original prescriptions which combined Korean and Chinese medical knowledge. As was the case in most other cultural aspects, Korea fathered traditional Japanese medicine when a Korean physician settled in Japan in the fifth century. The use of indigenous herbs came into prominence during the Koryo (936-1392) and Yi (1392-1910) dynasties. More than 150 medical annuals were published during the Yi dynasty.

Oriental medicine includes not only *hanyak* but also acupuncture and moxibustion. Acupuncture consists of the insertion into the skin and underlying tissues of a metal needle, either hot or cold. The site of the insertion is chosen to affect a particular organ or organs. Moxibustion involves making a small, moistened cone (moxa) of powdered leaves of mugwort, or wormwood, applying it to the skin, igniting it, and then crushing it into the blister so formed. Other substances are also used for the moxa. The practice is often associated with acupuncture.

The essence of the Oriental healing arts is *hanyak* therapy, however. The purpose of drugs in Oriental medicine is mainly to restore the harmony of the Yin and Yang, the dualistic cosmic powers. According to this theory, the health of a man is determined by the preponderance, at the time, in the body of the Yin or the Yang. In the body, their proportion can be controlled, and this is the great aim of the traditional Oriental medicine. While Western medicine aims chiefly to attack the symptoms of disease after they occur, Oriental healing art strives to establish the balance of chemical and magnetic constituents in the body to maintain good health.

Some of the common ingredients used in prescriptions are iris root for feeble-mindedness, snakeberry leaves to help regulate the menstrual cycle, and chrysanthemum roots to cure headaches.

Not all of *hanyak* materials are vegetable, though. The materia medica is very extensive and consists of vegetable, animal (including human), and mineral remedies. *Nokyong* (deer antler) and *ungdam* (bear bladder) have long been considered among a few miraculous medicines, and are dealt at very high prices.

Tonguibogam, a medical book compiled by a 17th century court doctor named Ho Jun, lists 1,400 kinds of drug stuffs. The list includes 55 kinds of remedies obtained from stones, 95 kinds from insects, 33 kinds from metals, 18 kinds from earth and 23 kinds from various parts of human body. However, the majority (743 kinds) are vegetable.

Each one on the list assumes certain medical effects in its single use; however, several ingredients are used together in practical usage to obtain an enhanced effect. For example, a prescription for anemia is a for-



HERBAL SHOP: An employee chopping up some *hanyak* ingredients for storage in his shop in the Kyongdong market in Seoul.

mula of four herbs, including roots of angelica and white peony. Sometimes a prescription may include ten or more ingredients.

Decoction is the most popular method of using *hanyak*. Fragmented herbs and other materials are steeped in an earthen-ware pot (metal is said to deplete medical potency) over a low burning charcoal for at least an hour or two until an essence is thus extracted. Pills, powder and ointment are also used.

Cultivating and trading *hanyak* materials had so a close relationship with national health in the olden days that the Yi dynasty King Sejong, who invented the Korean alphabet, even ordered "collecting herb songs" to be composed, versifying the delicate skills needed in cultivating and treating them.

Ever since the herb fair of Taegu was first opened in the late 1650s by royal order, the fair was held twice a year, in the spring and in

the fall for 10 days each, until it was discontinued in the 1940s by the Japanese rulers for some political reasons. The fair was revived in 1978 as an annual autumn event. In the herb street, there are now some 130 *hanyak* related shops. The revival of the fair seems to reflect the people's renewed interest and respect in *hanyak*. It is an encouraging sign for the future of traditional Oriental medicine in this country.

Modernization does not simply pass by traditional medicine, either. Recently, methods to extract useful ingredients from raw *hanyak* materials and granulate them for easy use and distribution have been developed. With the new products one can just add water, and save the two hours needed to decoct it.

Science also brings changes to the methods of diagnosis. In traditional diagnosis, detailed questions are asked about the history of the illness and the patient's taste, smell, dreams, etc. Attention is paid to the quality of the voice, and far-reaching conclusions are drawn from it. Note is made of the color of the face and of the tongue.

The most important part of the investigation, however, is the examination of the pulse. Three fingers are used to feel the radial artery at the wrist. As mentioned above, health depends on the harmonious balance of Yin and Yang. If the flow in the body of one of these principles is obstructed, disharmony and disease result. And it is asserted that the state of the pulse indicates the point at which obstruction in the body has occurred.

In addition to these traditional means of diagnosis, some modernized Oriental medical clinics utilize all kinds of advanced equipment in checking and testing patients to draw a more accurate conclusion as to their conditions. There are now five Oriental medical colleges and attached hospitals throughout the country, which offer one excellent medical care both scientific and traditional.

Despite the pervasiveness of Western medicine, introduced to the country in the late 1800s, *hanyak* remains extremely popular. Besides the above-mentioned Namsong-ro Street in Taegu, there are numerous *hanyak* shops along Chong-no 5-ka Street in downtown Seoul and near Kyongdong Market in eastern Seoul. One or two *hanyak* practitioners or dealers can be found on any Korean street, with their window display of fascinating *hanyak* materials, including *insam* (ginseng), *nokyong* and other raw herbs.

One can even find himself at most tea houses being served a *hanyak* portion called a time-honored formula of eight different herbs for curing illness caused by fatigue. In a country where Western and Oriental medicines coexist, one can surely say that Koreans are doubly blessed in a medical sense.

New U.S. study warns against bottle-feeding

By Carl Hartman

WASHINGTON (AP) — A mother who breastfeeds her baby as long as possible and gives it new foods with a spoon or cup instead of a bottle is less likely to get pregnant again soon, according to a new study on fertility.

Dr. Sandra Huffman, of the school of hygiene and public health, St. Johnson Hopkins University, says American studies on the subject go back to 1972. It has been more recently confirmed in places as far apart as Mexico, Scotland and Iran. Last year *The British Medical Journal* published a report from a city in Scotland which found that the use of bottles speeded up the resumption of menstruation after birth because of the reduction in breast-feeding. In Mexico, a medical observer found that ovulation — the production of an egg in a woman's body — did not begin again among women who gave their babies additional food, but continued to suckle them more than 10 times a day.

In the American study of a decade ago, the babies were given no additional food until they were five months old and no bottles were used. It took 14 months before the women in the experiment began menstruating again. Dr. Huffman said this suggested that if mothers avoid bottles and pacifiers — and feed their babies at night and off schedule as well — that menstruation would still be delayed, though not so long as when the baby gets little or no extra food.

Recent studies, she reported, show that the period when a baby's mother is unlikely to become pregnant again varies from two months when the baby is bottle-fed to over two years when it is breast-fed. She said studies in Zaire, Canada, Alaska, Kenya, Malaysia and Algeria showed increases in fertility when breast-feeding becomes less frequent or lasts only for a shorter period. She also found that the most important factor influencing natural fertility, aside from the age of a woman at marriage, is the length of time after birth that a mother is unlikely to become pregnant.

Use of baby bottles shortens the time before a mother's menstruation resumes after birth and pregnancy becomes more likely, the paper said. But if breast-feeding is continued while babies get supplemental foods from spoons or cups, menstruation is delayed. Dr. Huffman said family planning services should prescribe contraceptives cautiously during the period immediately after birth when breast-feeding is being established. Some types of pill (estrogen-progestone combinations) seem to cut down the production of breast milk. What the breast-feeding mother herself eats appears to have little to do with the matter. But her other activities do.

U.S. spacesuits to cost \$236M

SPACE CENTER, Houston, Nov. 24 (AP) — Development of the spacesuits that malfunctioned on the last space shuttle flight will cost the government more than 12 times the original \$18.9 million price tag, *The Houston Post* reported.

Figures from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration show that by the time the contract with Hamilton Standard of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, expires in 1985, at least \$236.4 million will have been spent on the suits, the paper said.

The figures showed NASA has already spent \$139.1 million because of changes it ordered and because of delays in the development caused by budget constraints. Astronauts were preparing for a space walk Nov. 15 when a fan went out on Joe Allen's life support backpack. Shortly after that, a pressure regulator failed on William Lenoir's suit, showing an abnormally low reading. It marked the first time a space walk has been called off because of a suit failure.

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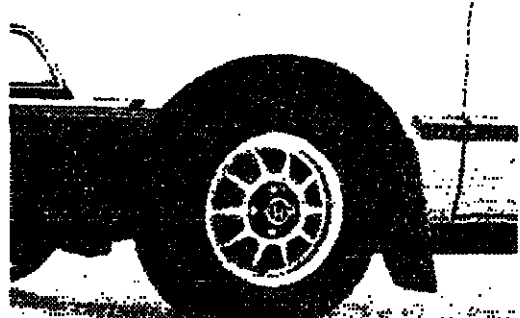
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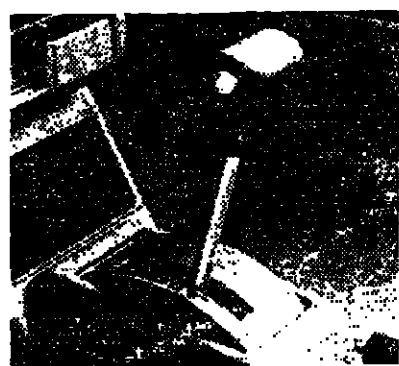
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Portugal president vetoes defense law

LISBON, Nov. 24 (R) — Portugal's soldier president, in conflict with his right-wing government, has criticized a new defense law for giving too much power over the armed forces to the defense minister and leaving his own position unsure.

In a 2,000-word written explanation to parliament Monday night of his reasons for vetoing the law Saturday, President Antonio Ramalho Eanes said: "The wide range of powers conferred in particular on the minister of defense, transformed into a true minister of armed forces, is the main reason for my worries. The imprecision and lack of clarity in the definition of the president's powers as supreme commander of the armed forces was another reason, Gen. Eanes said.

The government introduced the law after the revision of Portugal's revolutionary constitution this summer, which put an end to the military's role in politics. The law transfers power over the armed forces, held previously by the military council of the revolution, to the defense minister and a new supreme defense council.

It was passed with a two-thirds majority and must be passed by the president if presented to him a second time, but Gen. Eanes said the main reason for his veto was to get parliament to reconsider.

President Eanes said he also objected to the fact that the supreme defense council would be dominated by the government and he said its functions were not clear. The law redefines the military's role as solely to

defend the country against foreign aggression, ensuring its responsibility for internal security.

Defense Minister Diogo Freitas do Amaral said this was to prevent the possibility of a military coup. The military are also prohibited from taking part in any political activity.

President Eanes said the role of the chiefs of staff was also unclear and there were too many restrictions on their administrative and command powers under the law.

The president has never had a happy relationship with the government since it opposed his election in 1980.

Argentina frees 43

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 24 (AFP) — The Argentine government ordered the release Tuesday of 43 political prisoners and the release under surveillance of 84 others, informed sources said. Meanwhile, legal sources said they expected that Vice Adm. Juan Jose Lombardo, a former commander in the Falklands War with Britain, to face charges related to the discovery of unidentified dead bodies in Mar del Plata, 400 kilometers south of Buenos Aires.

The investigation of Adm. Lombardo was started by the accusations of parents of a young woman who disappeared in 1978, when he commanded a naval base there. The release of the political prisoners was the latest step in an effort to free all such detainees before elections in March 1984 to restore civilian rule.

U.K. poll shows queen most liked

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP) — Queen Elizabeth II is the most popular British member of the royal family and her only daughter, Princess Anne, 32, is the least liked, according to an opinion poll published Monday.

Of 456 Londoners questioned by Market Research Enterprises, 37 percent said they liked the queen the best. The queen's 82-year-old mother was runner-up, with 30 percent voting her most popular, followed by her to the throne, Prince Charles, 34, rated top by 17 percent. The survey did not say for whom the rest of those questioned voted. Anne held her traditional place as the most unpopular royal, with 47 percent saying they liked her least. The queen's divorced sister, Princess Margaret, 52, on 36 percent was the next most unpopular. But 87 percent said Anne did a good job on her recent 18-day tour of Africa as president of the Save the Children Fund.

Nearly everyone, 93 percent, felt indulgent toward Prince Andrew, the queen's handsome second son, saying he should be allowed a "fling." Last month Andrew, 22, a helicopter pilot, cut short a Caribbean vacation with blue-movie actress Koo Stark amid a storm of publicity.

Only 19 percent thought the British monarchy unnecessary, with 83 percent saying they were strong or moderate supporters of the royal family. Among other results, 43 percent thought the queen should abdicate in favor of her heir, Prince Charles, 34, when she turns 60 in 1986.

Falklands talks ruled out

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has ruled out the prospect of early talks with Argentina on the disputed sovereignty of the Falkland Islands the issue that led to this year's 74-day Falklands War.

Answering a question in the House of Commons, Mrs. Thatcher Tuesday said: "There can be no question of negotiating on the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands. It would be a betrayal of those who fought and died."

Earlier this month, an Argentine-inspired resolution calling for fresh talks won the backing of the United Nations General Assembly with U.S. support, which upset Mrs. Thatcher's government.

The South Atlantic islands off the Argentine coast have been a British colony since 1833. The Argentines, who call the islands the Malvinas, invaded them on April 2 to press their claim of sovereignty. The conflict

ended with Argentine surrender on June 14. The British lost 255 dead and the Argentines 712 in the undeclared war.

Meanwhile, the British Defense Ministry announced that the cruise ship *Uganda*, which served as a hospital ship during the Falklands War, will return to the Falkland Islands early next year as a troop carrier.

A ministry spokesman said Tuesday *Uganda* has been chartered to ferry troops between the South Atlantic islands and the British staging base on Ascension Island.

In another development, Falklands heroes were awarded medals by Queen Elizabeth. "I was told to do it. It was my job and I did it," said Sgt. Michael Collins, one of 29 heroes honored by the queen at Buckingham Palace Tuesday. He received the military medal for "outstanding leadership and determination."

Two widows received honors from the queen on behalf of their husbands who died in the war.

Mozambique fears S.African attack

MAPUTO, Nov. 24 (AP) — The official Mozambique Information Agency said that South Africa was threatening to send its forces into Mozambique following several days of South African troop maneuvers on the Mozambican border.

The news agency, quoting high-level military sources, said the maneuvers resembled those that have preceded South African incursions into Angola from Southwest Africa, also known as Namibia. It said Mozambican diplomats in New York were to inform United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar of "the existence of a threat of military aggression on the part of the racist forces."

In Pretoria, the South Africa capital, a military spokesman denied the Mozambican statement. He said there were no unusual South African troop movements in the area and that Mozambique apparently feared

retaliation for terrorist activities that may have originated in Mozambique.

South African authorities said gunmen using automatic weapons and rocket-propelled grenades attacked a soldiers' hostel near the Mozambique border Saturday, slightly wounding two South Africans. The hostel is near the border town of Komatipoort, where the Mozambican news agency said South African soldiers were gathering.

Meanwhile it was reported that about 600 Zimbabwean soldiers set up camp in Mozambique this month to fend off guerrillas attacking the pipeline that carries all of Zimbabwean gasoline and diesel fuel.

South African intelligence sources said Tuesday in Johannesburg that it was the first time Zimbabwean soldiers had entered Mozambique on a prolonged basis to fight Mozambique national resistance guerrillas.

Albania denounces superpowers

VIENNA, Nov. 24 (R) — Albania signaled it had no illusions about the Soviet Union's new leadership or about the United States, but expressed readiness to normalize relations with West Germany and to improve existing links with Italy.

In a policy speech to the newly elected People's Assembly (parliament) in Tirana, Prime Minister Adil Carcani also demanded that Britain return Albanian gold, valued at more than \$30 million, that it has held since World War II. The gold was looted by the Germans during the war, and seized by the Western allies at the end of the conflict.

Carcani, quoted by the official Albanian news agency ATA, also accused its neighbor Yugoslavia of constantly interfering in Albania's affairs. Carcani said Belgrade persecuted ethnic Albanians living in Yugoslavia and that Albania had a right to support their demands. Albania did not want to destabilize Yugoslavia, but sought good-

neighborly relations, he said.

Carcani said Albania would never be reconciled with United States imperialism nor with the "social-imperialism" of the Soviet Union, with whom Tirana broke in 1961. He described both states as "the greatest enemies of our people and of the other peoples."

Carcani recalled that a year ago Albania indicated it was ready to establish diplomatic relations with West Germany, and he called on Bonn to respond concretely and constructively. Diplomats on both sides said last August that secret talks on restoring relations, frozen since World War II, were stalemated over Albanian claims for reparations for damage and deaths caused by German forces during World War II.

On Italy, Carcani said: "We will not fail to make efforts to develop regular relations with Italy in all fields with mutual profit."

Ustinov hails Zhang Aiping

PEKING, Nov. 24 (AFP) — Soviet Defense Minister Dimitri Ustinov has sent a congratulatory note to new Chinese Defense Minister Gen. Zhang Aiping, a reliable source said here Wednesday. In what observers saw as another sign of Moscow's willingness to continue its overtures toward Peking.

Gen. Zhang, who participated in the famous Chinese Long March of 1934-35, became defense chief last week when Wu Xueqian succeeded Huang Hua as foreign minister. There did not appear to have been Soviet congratulations to Wu.

Huang's meeting with Soviet leaders in Moscow during the funeral of President Leonid Brezhnev gave a chance to improve Sino-Soviet relations, which started last month with a first round of talks in Peking.

China had still to react to new Soviet Communist Party chief Yuri Andropov's recent statement advocating improved relations between the two countries. During the year preceding his death, Brezhnev made several conciliatory statements aimed at China. The New China News Agency reported Andropov's Monday address to the central committee on Sino-Soviet relations without comment.

China sent its condolences at the time of Brezhnev's death, but has failed to congratulate Secretary Andropov on his election, as the two Communist parties maintain no relations with each other. In 1976, China rejected messages sent by the Soviet Union at the time of Mao Tse-tung's death and the naming of Hua Guofeng as his successor.

Meanwhile, U.S. Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs Lawrence Eagleburger said that any improvement in relations between China and the Soviet Union was "a good thing for peace and world stability."

But Eagleburger was not optimistic about a rapid improvement in relations between the countries saying "it will take time to resolve their substantial differences." Speaking on his return to Washington Tuesday from a tour of Japan, South Korea, India and Pakistan, Eagleburger said U.S. hopes for closer ties with China would not be influenced by renewed dialogue between the two Communist giants.

The undersecretary of state said while the U.S. administration intended to continue normalizing relations with China, it also had other engagements that it must respect.

Observers said he was referring to the Taiwan Relations Act under which America promises to supply the defense needs of the island. China has never ceased attacking the sale of modern equipment by the United States to Taiwan.

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With debts mounting

Global lending crisis looms, Regan warns

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP) — U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan said that the world's financial system is in a "very precarious situation" because of the increasing number of developing nations unable to repay their enormous foreign debts.

In a meeting with reporters, Regan said he is "worried" about the international situation, which some financial experts say could develop into a worldwide lending crisis.

Regan said the International Monetary Fund and private bankers have managed to reschedule debts of countries unable to pay on time thus far to avoid banking crisis. But "we are not out of woods by a long shot" he told newsmen.

The IMF already has given tentative approval for multibillion dollar loans to help Mexico and Argentina. The Third World's biggest debtors. Debt problems still must be resolved for many countries including several European and a number of African countries.

The troubles of the developing countries stem from the worldwide recession, which has caused a sharp drop in prices for oil and

other goods that provide much of the Third World's income.

Regan said the key to solving the financial problem is for the U.S. to stage an economic recovery and lead the rest of the world out of the recession. "If the recovery comes sooner than later, we can get by this crisis," he said, adding that if the recession continues for several years the world's financial troubles will grow.

In a related development, a spokesman for the World Bank said that several donor countries meeting Tuesday behind closed doors stressed what he called the "critical importance" of the United States paying its delayed share in a \$12 billion aid fund for poor countries. These, they said, would go a long way in helping the debt-ridden countries.

The spokesman, who asked not to be named, declined to say which of the 33 governments made the remarks. He said the United States "responded positively." The U.S. representative at the meeting was Marc E. Leland, assistant secretary of the treasury for international affairs.

Singapore, EEC strike textile accord

BRUSSELS, Nov. 24 (APF) — Singapore and the European Economic Community (EEC) have reached a bilateral agreement on restricting textile shipments to the community in the period 1983-86, an EEC commission official said Wednesday.

Singapore is the fourth member of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to conclude this kind of deal with the EEC. The others were Thailand, the Philippines and Malaysia. Negotiations have started with the fifth ASEAN country, Indonesia.

The community eased its position recently by allowing ASEAN countries to share out any of their unused quota amounts. The commission official said no date had been fixed for resuming talks with Hong Kong, Macao and South Korea.

On Monday this week the EEC foreign ministers permitted the commission to ease its stance, in particular on export rises, but they said the overall import ceiling had to stay.

Hong Kong is taking a softer line than in earlier negotiations, but still rejects the EEC demand for a 12 percent cutback in its export quota.

Alternative to Tory policy

Labor unveils job-based plan

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AP) — Britain's opposition Labor Party on Tuesday unveiled its economic alternative to Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's tight-money policy, with a target of creating 1.600 jobs a day.

Labor's election platform "program for recovery" calls for a multi-billion pound (dollar) boost in state spending, devaluation of the pound sterling and controls on prices, imports and foreign exchange transactions.

The 60-page document said such a strategy would reduce unemployment from its present post-1930s record level of 3.3 million to less than one million within five years — from 13.8 percent of the work force to about 4 percent.

"The task of reaching an unemployment level of one million over a five-year span is formidable," said the document. "We have to find at least 2½ million jobs that is 1.600 jobs a day, in every day of this five-year period."

The plan, prepared by a team under Labor finance spokesman Peter Shore, diagnosed lack of demand as the principal economic flaw in Mrs. Thatcher's Britain. "The stimulus to the economy must come from two

major sources — achievement of a competitive exchange rate and expansion of the purchase of goods and services by the public sector," Labor said.

Written before the pound's 5 percent slide over the past week, the document calls for a 30-percent devaluation of sterling and an initial 5 billion pound (\$8 million) boost to state spending, increasing to an extra 18 billion pounds (\$29 billion) by the fifth year.

On wages, Labor plans to work with union leaders and industrialists to devise an annual "national economic assessment," determining how much of the country's wealth goes on pay, profits and new investment.

The last Labor government, led by Prime Minister James Callaghan, fell in May 1979 after pay strikes caused a "winter of discontent."

Shore told a news conference there would be no recurrence of the strikes "because of the understanding and the will of those people involved in...getting the economy expanding and reducing unemployment."

Labor would cut interest rates and sales tax in a bid to control the inflationary parts of its strategy, aiming for an annual inflation rate of 8 percent by 1983. It is currently 6.8 percent.

Peking buys 10 Boeings for \$160m

PEKING, Nov. 24 (AP) — Boeing Co. of the United States announced the sale of 10 Boeing 737-300 jetliners to Communist China for about \$160 million and said it planned to have more of its airplane parts made in China.

Meanwhile, Hu Yizhou, deputy director general of China's General Administration of Civil Aviation (CAAC), said civil aviation is booming in China and "we will constantly update our fleet by equipping it with modern aircraft and other advanced aviation facilities."

"There are broad prospects for furthering economic cooperation and trade relations between CAAC and all the aircraft manufacturers, including the Boeing Co.," he told a news conference.

CAAC has been reported about to buy two more 747 Jumbo jets from Boeing and two DC-9 jetliners from McDonnell Douglas.

Hu said CAAC's recent annual average growth rate has been 21.6 percent in ton-kilometers, 1981 profit exceeded 100 million yuan (\$50 million) and 1982 profit is expected to exceed that.

Brazil undecided on IMF credit

BRASILIA, Nov. 24 (R) — The Brazilian government has taken no decision on whether to seek a standby loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), a planning ministry spokesman said.

The spokesman was asked about predictions by bankers that Brazil would seek a standby credit of several billion dollars in the near future to ease problems to servicing its foreign debt.

The debt is unofficially estimated by private economists at around \$85 billion, including short-term obligations.

Finance Minister Emílio Galvão said last week Brazil was preparing to withdraw \$500 million under another IMF facility which compensates countries for falls in the prices of their exports.

This type of facility carries no economic conditions while a standby credit would involve an economic program approved by the fund.

Five IMF officials are currently visiting Brazil on a technical mission to check statistics and evaluate the country's economic situation.

Export target eludes Turkey

ANKARA, Nov. 24 (R) — Turkey's rate of export growth has slipped below target this year due to European Economic Community restrictions on Turkish textile products, and a drop in trade with Libya. Trade Minister Kemal Canturk has said.

Figures for the first nine months of this year showed a rate of increase of 26 percent, below the 1982 target of 30 percent. In September exports fell \$150 million short of the \$600 million target.

Canturk told the National Consultative Assembly (parliament) that European community restrictions on cotton yarn imports and a ban on T-shirt imports were partly to blame for the slippage.

Another reason was a slump in trade with Libya which, mainly due to depressed world oil prices, bought goods worth \$188 million from Turkey in the first nine months of this year, some 92 million less than in the same period last year.

Canturk said price rises announced Monday of up to 20 percent for petroleum products were accounted for in government

planning and would not affect the fight against inflation, central to its recovery program.

Meanwhile, economic experts have argued that price increases of 20 percent on fuel oil and petrol products announced Monday will add to the burden of the hard winter anticipated this year.

The rises, which came into effect Tuesday, are calculated to result in increases in costs at the rate of eight percent in transportation, five percent in electric energy, 11 percent in petrochemicals and 19 percent in agricultural products.

Authorities defended the increase saying that it was inevitable in view of the depreciation of the Turkish lira against the dollar.

Reports circulating that the state-owned cotton and woolen textile industry is about to apply a price increase from 15 to 30 percent, while the price increase in fertilizers is to be announced later, add to the gloom of consumers.

"It is impossible to hold the inflation rate at the declared 20 percent in 1983," an economic expert said.

Shadowy dealings tarnish Lloyd's image

LONDON, Nov. 24 (R) — Lloyd's of London has used the motto "utmost good faith" during the past 300 years.

But faith in the world's biggest insurance market has been shaken by recent scandals that have fuelled a drive for stricter outside surveillance of the club-like Lloyd's operations.

Fraud squad police have been called in to investigate shadowy dealings in which several of the most prominent members of the market were apparently engaged, police sources said. They are alleged to have wrongfully profited by sending their firms' business to companies in which they had secret interests.

The police joined teams of investigators from the department of Trade, Lloyd's itself and outside audit and law firms acting on behalf of worried members.

John Wallrock, chairman of Britain's fifth largest brokerage firm, Minet Holdings, shocked Lloyd's this week with an announcement that he had resigned from his 95,000 sterling (\$150,000) a year job. He quit after he disclosed that he held a

secret stake in reinsurance transactions carried out by Minet, which manages the affairs of 1,800 of the 21,000 members of Lloyd's.

Staunchly defending its own ability to police itself, Lloyd's officials said they hoped to have new rules on disclosure of dealings ready by the start of the "new year," under reforms ordered by parliament. Analysts said the rules are aimed at shedding more light on the often murky affairs of Lloyd's underwriters who can channel funds from a single policy to insure a ship, for example, into scores of companies and partnerships here and abroad.

They normally do this to spread the risk, parcelling out the policy to others in the so-called reinsurance market. In the Minet case, investigators are following the trail of an estimated \$40 million in premiums for reinsurance that went to companies in tax-free states as Liechtenstein, the Isle of Man, Guernsey and Gibraltar.

Wallrock had assumed the chairmanship of two Minet companies only three weeks after Peter Dixopin was asked by Lloyd's to

voluntarily suspend himself from his duties as chairman. Lloyd's said it acted after it received "certain information" on reinsurance placed by the two companies.

This summer, Alexander and Alexander, a leading American insurance broker, filed in court here that four former directors of the Alexander Howden Group, another major Lloyd's firm, owed it some \$55 million. It discovered the "deficiency" after it took over Howden.

The American firm contends that some of the money was funnelled to companies in Panama, Bermuda and Liechtenstein that were secretly controlled by the former Howden officials.

The main broker for the 3,800-member group was Ian Fosgate, nicknamed "Goldfinger" for his money-making ability. Fosgate resigned but has denied the allegations.

The Howden affair started a series of internal audits and investigations as rumors spread about more serious misdeeds in the insurance world that have yet to die down.

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Reagan to raise gasoline tax

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan announced he will ask Congress to raise the national gasoline tax to finance repairs of the country's deteriorating highways in hopes of boosting

the American economy.

The proposal, which has already received advanced support from congressional leaders, comes amid continuing recession with America's roads, sewers and other infrastructure in need of repair and unemployment at its highest rate in more than 40 years. Economists have estimated it would create jobs for 320,000 people.

Reagan told reporters that the details of his proposal had yet to be worked out, but that he had decided to go ahead with the plan first proposed by U.S. Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis.

Lewis has suggested a tax of four U.S. cents a gallon (about one cent a liter) as a "user fee" to finance repair of roads and bridges.

The proposal would double the traditionally low U.S. gasoline tax, which has been four cents a gallon since 1959. Individual states impose an additional tax, averaging 12 cents a gallon, for an average price at the pump for regular gasoline of \$1.25 a gallon. Although the program would have the effect of creating jobs, Reagan said, "this is not a jobs bill as such."

Lewis told reporters the proposal would

cost \$27.5 billion over five years. Approximately \$12.5 billion would be devoted to highway repairs, and the rest would go to bridge work, urban and rural road repairs and mass transit, the transportation secretary said.

The chairman of Reagan's council of economic advisers, Martin S. Feldstein, warned the president last week, however, that the additional levy "may actually increase unemployment during the first year or two."

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.10	9.135
Bangladesh Taka		14.15
Belgian Franc (1,000)		69.90
Canadian Dollar		135.80
Deutsche Mark (100)	136.00	134.30
Dutch Guilder (100)	124.30	124.15
Egyptian Pound	3.35	3.34
Emirate Dirham (100)	93.25	93.70
French Franc (100)	48.25	48.05
Greek Drachma (1,000)		47.80
Indian Rupee (100)		34.92
Iranian Rial (100)	6.25	
Israeli Sheqel	23.70	23.60
Japanese Yen (1,000)		13.65
Jordanian Dinar	9.51	9.49
Kuwaiti Dinar	11.70	11.77
Lebanese Lira (100)	85.25	85.15
Moroccan Dirham (100)	51.75	53.95
Pakistani Rupee (100)	29.25	27.12
Philippines Peso (100)		38.90
Pound Sterling	5.51	5.49
Qatari Riyal (100)	93.50	94.56
Singapore Dollar (100)		156.00
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	30.20	28.90
Swiss Franc (100)	157.90	157.75
Syrian Lira (100)	60.25	60.42
Turkish Lira (1,000)		1.90
U.S. Dollar	3.45	3.44
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.25	75.10

The above cash and transfer rates are supplied by Al-Rajhi Company for Currency Exchange & Commerce, Gabel St., Tel. 6476196, Jeddah.

OAPEC fails to resolve pipeline rift

KUWAIT, Nov. 24 (AP) — The 10-nation Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries wound up a one-day ministerial conference here Wednesday without resolving the Iraq-Syria oil pipeline dispute.

The question was relegated to the OAPEC judicial panel, which was to meet Dec. 18 under the Saudi Arabian undersecretary for foreign affairs, Sheikh Abdul-Rahman Al-Mansouri.

Iraq had complained to OAPEC that Syria closed the Iraqi oil pipeline that took oil across Syrian territory to shipping terminals on the Mediterranean.

Syria and Iraq, which are ruled by rival wings of the Arab Socialist Baath Party, are members of OAPEC, along with Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Qatar and Bahrain.

Seven of these countries — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the U.A.E., Qatar, Iraq, Libya and Algeria — are double as members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

Aside from the OAPEC meeting, the Iraqi oil minister told reporters that he and the Kuwaiti oil minister, Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah, agreed Wednesday that the next regular ministerial conference of OPEC be held in Vienna on Dec. 19.

Spain's reserves dip

MADRID, Nov. 24 (R) — Spain's gold and foreign exchange reserves fell a provisional \$800 million in October after falling \$315 million to \$12.9 billion in September, a Bank of Spain official said.

The falls were all in convertible currency. In August reserves rose \$80.2 million while in September, 1981 they rose 119.8 million and in October, 1981 fell 108.7 million.

The official said October was a high oil-importing month and the lowest month of the year for agricultural exports.

Financial Roundup

Dollar rates suffer setback

J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Nov. 24 — The dollar eased on the Wednesday exchanges after its reversal of fortunes on Tuesday's markets. The major gains were registered by the Japanese yen and the German mark, but the other continental currencies also rose against the dollar.

The dollar's fall started in New York on Tuesday night when the Federal Reserve's "Fed fund" prime lending rates fell to record lows of 6 1/2 - 7 percent levels and several more major U.S. commercial banks reduced their primes to 11 1/2 percent levels. The market began to reassess their short and long-term views on where U.S. dollar interest rates were heading and the consensus that emerged was that the "fed" might cut its discount rate further — probably after Thursday's holiday.

Eurodollar interest rates fell back Wednesday to new lows, taking the one-month rate to 8 1/2 - 9 percent levels and the one-year rate to 10 1/2 - 10 3/4 percent levels. Dealers expect Eurodollar rates to fall further this weekend as pressure mounts on the American central bank to cut back on its discount rate.

The dollar was also affected by the news that there was a one-year record drop in the level of U.S. durable goods ordered for the month of October, as well as a larger than expected rise in the U.S. consumer price index. Once again though, all eyes seemed to be on the discount rate movement.

In the bullion markets, gold and silver prices traded erratically but at lower levels Wednesday, taking gold to just above the \$400 level and silver fluctuating around the \$9.00 mark. Dealers are still confident that prices can hold, but the uncertainties on the exchange markets are beginning to take their toll on the bullion markets as well.

Locally, Wednesday saw rial deposit rates open at fairly stable levels but the close of business saw some sharp fall in rial rates. The week-fixed dropped to 8 1/2 - 8 3/4 percent while the one-month JIBOR shed 1/4 percent off Tuesday levels to trade at 8 1/2 - 8 3/4 percent. Dealers reported that there was a firming of rates in the longer periods with the one-year opening at 9 1/2 - 9 3/4 percent but closing at 10 1/2 percent levels. Few deals were done in these tenors however. The spot rial-dollar exchange price was surprisingly firm at 3.440-12 levels given the dollar's weakness.

In Europe, the Japanese yen traded at 252.00 levels, up from 258.10 on Tuesday while the German mark rose to 2,5320 levels from 2,5560. The French currency was also stronger but volatile at 7.1680 levels, but the Swiss currency rose in sympathy with the mark to trade up at 2.1860 from 2.2180 levels on Tuesday.

LONDON (AP) — Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	410.87
Paris	406.28
Frankfurt	405.97
Zurich	408.75
Hong Kong	403.59

Volvo takes the road to prosperity

GOTEBORG, Nov. 24 (AFP) — Reading Volvo's figures for the first nine months of this year, anybody might think the Swedish economic miracle was still going on.

All the figures are up: Sales, profit, investment, dividends and workforce. Turnover was up 37 percent to 51.5 billion crowns (about \$7 billion), tax-paid profit was 2 billion crowns (about \$260 million) against previous 990 million crowns (\$130 million). Since January some 600 people have been recruited, taking the workforce to 73,600.

In the nine months Volvo sold 235,000 cars, an eight percent improvement and a new all-time high. Ironically the Volvo President Peer Gyllenhammar has been diversifying outside cars with the idea of avoiding over-dependence on the international busi-

ness climate. At present some 82 percent of turnover is in exports and, like Mercedes, it has not been doing too badly during this crisis so far. Car sales were up 30 percent to 12.5 billion crowns (\$1.7 billion), its figures show.

The fact is that Volvo sells cars primarily to people who are cushioned against the crisis to some extent. About 3,000 "760 GLE" cars were sold before it was launched in the United States, which is the top export market.

Another factor is that more than 85 percent of Volvo owners buy another Volvo when they change cars. The group has gained from the dollar's rise on the money markets in the first half of the year to the tune of about \$70 million, stemming from U.S. sales.

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Amid starvation and squalor S. Africa whites turn black kids into slaves

LONDON, Feb. 24 (AFP) — Black children as young as seven are forced to work long hours on South Africa's white-owned farms for little or no wages and in conditions of starvation and squalor, the Anti-Slavery Society said Thursday.

In an 80-page illustrated report on child labor in South Africa, the world's oldest human rights group said it was normal for young black children "to be transported by trucks from bantustans and distributed to white farms where cheap labor is needed."

One local teacher told an Anti-Slavery Society investigator: "It is camouflaged slave labor." The children either accepted the conditions of work or, because of the extreme poverty of their parents, they starved.

The children were often ill-fed and ill-housed by the white farmers, were paid partly or wholly in rotten fruit and worked from sunrise to sunset, the report said.

In the Nigel / Heidelberg area, "the Anti-Slavery Society found a team of about 20 children" some of whom appeared to be no older than nine (they did not know their ages), working in the rain in bean fields. That was at 7 a.m. At twilight they were still in the same field," it said.

TV broadcasts heart surgery

PHOENIX, Arizona, Feb. 24 (AP) — Warning viewers to look away if they were squeamish, a doctor performed triple bypass heart surgery on a retired insurance salesman Wednesday night in an operation broadcast live on national television.

Dr. Edward B. Diethrich cut into the chest of Bernard Schuler, 62, of Elmwood, Wisconsin, and moments later revealed his beating heart, interrupting a two-man panel of narrators occasionally to explain what he and the rest of the surgical team at St. Joseph's Hospital were doing.

At the end of the two-hour program, as his surgical team was closing Schuler's chest, Diethrich said: "We're looking forward to this patient's total rehabilitation."

Diethrich said later he didn't expect any post-operative complications and called the surgery itself "pretty much straightforward." Schuler was listed in stable condition in St. Joseph's cardiovascular intensive care unit, said head nurse Cindy Stitz.

After the initial incision, Diethrich used a small power saw, its buzz readily picked up by microphones in the operating room, to cut through the breastbone. He used specialized instruments to spread the chest and rib cage open, sliced the sac surrounding the heart and reveal the beating organ.

"People are less likely to fear what they know and understand," Diethrich said at the beginning of the broadcast. He said he hoped the program would "relieve anxiety" for those who need such surgery and sensitize others to taking better care of their own hearts.

At least 50 television stations in the United States plus the British Broadcasting Corp. carried the telecast live or via tape delay.

"There's nothing more beautiful than the human heart," Diethrich said. "It's alive and I think it's appropriate to see it live."

The society officials in the Sekhukhune-land district of Lebowa Bantustan told its investigator: "Almost anyone who requires cheap labor comes here to pick up young girls. They (local white farmers) pick up any one from 10 years and upward to do anything from agricultural weeding to harvesting."

In one place the investigator found children sleeping in a hollow in the ground. In another, young girls slept in what appeared once to have been stables with holes in the wall for windows.

"There was no toilet or water facilities apart from an outside cold water tap," the report said. "There was no light and fires had to be made on the floors in winter for warmth and light." The children slept on cement beds built into the walls and their only blankets were those they had brought with them.

The Anti-Slavery Society, which has previously published reports on child labor in Morocco, India, Spain, Thailand, Italy and Jamaica, said there were few educational opportunities for black children in South Africa because of a lack of teachers and classrooms and because schooling for blacks was not equal to that of whites and was not free.

The Anti-Slavery Society blamed the situation on the white minority regime's apartheid (racial segregation) policies. "Black children are to be South Africa's labor force and the laws governing them are distinct from those pertaining to white children," the report said.

The Sekhukhune-land spokesman blamed the situation in his area on "incredible poverty, terrible congestion, unemployment and hunger" resulting from the government's policy of banning blacks from living in white areas and forcing them into poverty-stricken bantustans ("homelands").

The Anti-Slavery Society said that while agriculture was the main employer of young children in South Africa, they were also exploited as servants in white households — "where they are on call for virtually 24 hours a day" — in light industry and as street vendors in towns and cities.

It said that when a mature black maid-servant was asked in one interview how old she had been when she entered domestic service, she replied: "I don't know. I've been a slave for a long time."

Viet hitchhikes to seek asylum

SINGAPORE, Feb. 24 (R) — A former Vietnamese Air Force pilot knocked out the door of the U.S. Embassy in Singapore after walking, swimming, hitchhiking and cycling his way across three countries to seek asylum, officials said Thursday.

They said Ly Van Tong, 34, who fought for the U.S.-backed Saigon government during the Vietnam War, astonished American officials with his account of how he trekked 1,600 miles over mountains and through jungles.

The U.S. Embassy said it had given an undertaking to Singapore authorities to resettle Tong. He would be sent to the United Nations refugee center on the Indonesian island of Galang before going on to the United States.

The former pilot completed the last leg of his journey with a one-and-a-half kilometer swim across the Johore Straits from Malaysia on Feb. 9, more than a year after leaving Indochina. He spent the night in a park then turned up on the embassy doorstep.



MASSACRE: Bodies of an entire village family, wiped out in last week's massacre in the Indian state of Assam, lie on the floor of their hut.

Charged with crimes against humanity French judge informs Barbie of case

LYON, France, Feb. 24 (Agencies) — Judge Christian Riss, the magistrate overseeing the case against Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, went to Saint Joseph Prison in Lyon Thursday to inform the defendant of the specific facts in the case against him.

Barbie, the former Gestapo chief in Lyon during the World War II German occupation of France, was expelled from Bolivia earlier this month and brought to France, where he has been charged with crimes against humanity.

The 69-year-old Barbie, known in France as "the butcher of Lyon," twice was condemned to death by postwar military courts in Lyon, but the statute of limitations on those sentences has expired and a new case must be developed.

Riss arrived at the central prison minutes after Alain De la Servette, the head of the Lyon Bar Association who is handling Barbie's defense, Riss made no comment to reporters outside the prison, but De la Servette said the meeting probably would take "several hours."

The government prosecutor in Lyon, Jean Berthier, announced "eight facts which presently are the object of the case opened against Klaus Barbie." They include the arrest, torture and murder of 294 persons and the roundup and deportation of about 650 persons, to the German concentration camps at Auschwitz and Ravensbruck.

Berthier said other infractions of the same nature that the investigation may turn up could be added to the case.

Excluded from the present case, however, he said, are all facts that had been used in the two earlier trials in 1952 and 1954. The prosecutor said he was not pursuing any evidence relating to the crimes committed against members of the French resistance, including its leader Jean Moulin who was tortured and killed, which he said were crimes and not crimes against humanity.

Poland detains ex-Solidarity men

KATOWICE, Poland, Feb. 24 (AP) — Police detained Kazimierz Switon and half a dozen other Solidarity labor union activists after a religious prayer held Wednesday in this southern Polish coal mining center to honor those detained under martial law.

Police also detained six accredited Western newsmen who attempted to attend the prayer, but released them when it was over.

Switon, who was instrumental in organizing of free trade unions in Silesia five years ago, was approached by plainclothes men during the prayer and told to accompany them to city's police headquarters, his wife said.

Switon declined to leave during the ceremony but was detained outside later.

Lech Walesa, chief of outlawed labor federation had planned to attend but changed his mind a day before, citing mechanical problems with his automobile.

The heavy security at the Katowice prayer, which was attended by about 2,000, came after demonstrations in four Polish cities last week.

The charges against Switon are not clear, his wife said. However, the local communist daily *Trybuna Robotnicza* Monday published an attack on Switon accusing him of accepting money from Westerners to carry out unspecified actions.

attack on two German policemen in 1943. The arrest and torture of 19 persons in 1943.

The deportation of 84 persons connected with the Lyons General Union of Jews.

The shooting of 42 persons in and around Lyons in 1943-44.

The roundup of French railway workers in which two were killed, several wounded and a number disappeared in 1944.

The deportation of 650 persons, to Auschwitz and Ravensbruck concentration camps, the last shipment being on Aug. 11, 1944.

The shooting of 70 persons at Bron and two priests in Saint Genis Laval.

The deportation of up to 55 persons, mostly children, from the village of Izieu.

About 15 individuals and groups also have registered with the prosecutor's office to take part in the case as civil parties against Barbie. It was the second time that Riss has met with Barbie, the first time being Feb. 5, the day the defendant arrived in Lyon.



SEE THE STITCHES: Donald Wright points to the stitches on his scalp where he had a power drill bit embedded 7.5 centimeters into his skull. After regaining consciousness, Wright looked in the mirror and turned the drill back on to remove the bit from his head. In hospital he underwent surgery to remove a bone fragment inside his skull. He was able to tell his tale Tuesday.

Man drills back steel bit from skull

TORONTO, Feb. 24 (AP) — A building contractor stood in front of a bathroom mirror and carefully squeezed the trigger of a power drill to unscrew a steel bit that accidentally bored three inches (7.6 centimeters) into his right temple.

"I kept saying to myself, 'oh, my God, whatever I do I have to do right because any mistake could be fatal,'" 54-year-old David Wright said. Wright fell off a stepladder and knocked himself out Feb. 16 while working alone in an acquaintance's condominium.

Wright said from his hospital bed Tuesday the moment he regained consciousness he was sure he was dying but managed to struggle to his feet, desperately holding the drill steady with his hands. He walked to the bathroom and, with great concentration squeezed the drill's trigger and pulled the steel bit from his head.

Bleeding profusely, Wright left the apartment, switching off the lights and locking the door on the way out, and went to his apartment in the same building.

His wife called an ambulance and Wright was rushed to hospital where he underwent two operations in the next two days to remove a bone fragment from his brain. "I guess it just wasn't my time to die," said Wright.

S. Africa-Angola talks end abruptly

PRAIA, Cape Verde, Feb. 24 (R) — Delegations from South Africa and Angola left Thursday after only three hours of talks on the conditions of peace along the Namibian (Southwest African)-Angolan border.

Diplomatic sources said the two sides talked only about border hostilities and did not touch on the problem of Namibian independence. But they agreed to meet again soon.

"The reason the talks did not produce more positive results was because of the weak South African representation," Angolan Interior Minister Alexandre Rodrigues said. Rodrigues went to Cape Verde but did not take part in the talks because South Africa had sent a low-level delegation led by the foreign affairs director general, Hans van Dalsen.

In an interview with the Portuguese news agency Anop, Rodrigues said his delegation had come to the West African islands in the hope of speeding Namibian independence.

He said the meeting had been useful to readjust positions and added Angola did not go to the talks as a substitute for SWAPO (Southwest Africa People's Organization) which has fought a 16-year guerrilla war for Namibian independence.

Burma keeps off summit at New Delhi

RANGOON, Burma, Feb. 24 (AP) — Burma, one of the founding members of the nonaligned movement of nations, will not be represented at the movement's upcoming summit in New Delhi, a senior Foreign Ministry official said Thursday.

Burma pulled out of the movement at the Havana summit in September 1979, declaring it had lost its original objectives and could no longer be considered nonaligned. Some nations in Havana criticized the pro-Soviet hosts for "stage-managing" that meeting.

The spokesman denied reports that Burma was planning to rejoin the movement or would be sending an observer to the summit.

Speculation about Burma rejoining the movement began after the recent visit to Burma of Yugoslav President Peter Stambolic, who also visited Indonesia, Yugoslavia and Indonesia were also co-founders of the movement.

Burma, which steers a neutral course in international affairs, declined in Indian invitation for a Burmese press delegation to cover the New Delhi conference, the official said.

The fathers of the nonaligned movement — which began in the mid-1950s — are generally considered to include Presidents Sukarno of Indonesia and Josip Broz Tito of Yugoslavia, Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India, President Nasser of Egypt and U Nu of Burma.

Meanwhile nonaligned summit is expected to produce new expressions of regret over the slow progress toward Namibian independence and fresh denunciations of the apartheid regime in South Africa, AFP reports from New Delhi.

The two issues figure prominently in a 23-page draft communique prepared by host India, which will be considered in committee and by nonaligned foreign ministers before it goes on to leaders of the 97-member movement at their summit March 7-11.

A full two pages is devoted to Namibia, reaffirming support for the territory's right to self-determination and expressing "deep concern over the continued illegal occupation of Namibia by the racist South African regime." It says Pretoria's policies constituted "a grave threat to international peace and security."

Defeat forecast for U.K. Labor

LONDON, Feb. 24 (AP) — Opinion polls predicted a major defeat for the opposition Labor Party on Thursday in a special parliamentary election in east London's working class Bermondsey Dockland district.

An opinion poll in *The Sun* newspaper Thursday morning forecast that Labor candidate Peter Tatchell, 31-year-old radical on the far left wing of his ideologically-split party, would lose the seat to the centrist Social Democratic-Liberal Party alliance. Bermondsey has been a rock-solid Labor stronghold for the last 60 years.

The poll commissioned by *The Sun* from audience selection gave Tatchell, a social worker, 32 percent of the vote against a winning 42 percent for alliance candidate Simon Hughes, 31. Hughes, a lawyer, belongs to the Liberal Party.

Political commentators say an alliance win in Bermondsey could spell the political demise of Labor leader Michael Foot, 69. Foot is already under pressure to quit from some sections of his party, who say he is showing himself increasingly ineffectual against Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

S. Pole trip planned

LONDON, Feb. 24 (R) — A new British group has announced plans to send 4,000 young explorers to destinations like South American jungles and the South Pole.

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, is patron of the four-year, multimillion dollar project, called Operation Raleigh after the 16th century explorer, Sir Walter Raleigh.

He said the experience of travel and hardship would help young people cope with problems in their own communities. The project will involve 1,500 young people from Britain, 1,700 from the United States, and 1,000 from other countries.

Led by Col. John Blashford-Snell, the first group, aged 17 to 24, will set sail in November next year.


Tikhonov ends trip

ATHENS, Feb. 24 (Agencies) — Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov left Athens for Moscow on Thursday after a three-day official visit during which he signed a 10-year agreement to improve economic and industrial ties.

He was seen off at Athens Airport by Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu and his entire cabinet as well as by the commanders of the Greek armed forces. Strict security measures were in force.

A joint communique, to be issued in Moscow and Athens, is expected to deal with arms reduction, detente and the creation of a nuclear-free zone in the Balkan peninsula, as well as with Greece's disputes with Turkey over territorial rights in the Aegean and Cyprus.

Meanwhile, an extreme left-wing group claimed responsibility for an explosion Wednesday night near the restaurant where Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov was dining.



GLOBAL WEATHER

	Min	Max			Min	Max	
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Amsterdam	0	32	6	43	clear	Mexico City	7 45 23 73 clear
Athens	0	32	39		clear	Miami	21 70 26 79 cloudy
Bahrein	12	54	17	63	clear	Montreal	-4 25 2 36 cloudy
Bangkok	27	81	32	90	clear	Moscow	-7 19 -6 21 clear
Batumi	8	46	12	54	rain	New Delhi	11 52 24 75 cloudy
Berlin	-5	23	5	41	clear	New York	5 41 10 50 cloudy
Buenos Aires	-1	34	4	39	cloudy	Niagara	2 36 16 61 rain
Calcutta	20	68	28	82	rain	Olo	-4 25 -10 14 cloudy
Cairo	5	41	18	64	cloudy	Paris	5 41 9 48 cloudy
Caracas	30	68	30	86	cloudy	Peking	-2 28 5 41 clear
Chicago	1	34	10	50	snow	Rio de Janeiro	22 72 37 99 clear
Copenhagen	-2	28	4	39	clear	Roma	0 32 9 48 clear
Dublin	2	36	5	41	cloudy	San Francisco	12 54 15 59 cloudy
Frankfurt	-7	19	3	37	clear	Seoul	-4 25 6 43 clear
Geneva	-5	23	4	39	clear	Singapore	24 73 34 93 rain
Helsinki	-6	21	3	37	clear	Stockholm	-4 25 2 36 clear
Hong Kong	14	57	18	64	rain	Taipei	13 55 17 63 cloudy
Jakarta	23	73	32	90	rain	Tokyo	2 36 8 48 snow
Kuala Lumpur	23	73	35	95	clear	Toronto	2 36 6 43 cloudy
London	4	39	7	45	cloudy	Vancouver	10 50 15 59 rain
Los Angeles	16	61	20	68	rain	Vienna	-7 19 1 34 cloudy
Madrid	8	46	17	63	cloudy		
Manila	20	68	31	88	clear		

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Thailand dashes Syria's hopes

Kingdom bags last eight spot in Asian soccer

By John Crasto
Special to Arab News

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24 — Saudi Arabia must say "thank you, Thailand" for their entry into the Asian Games soccer quarterfinals Wednesday. Not that they did not deserve it. But their agony vanished when the Thai put Syria out of reckoning.

The Arabs were ecstatic when Kingdom hammered home two goals in three minutes for a 2-0 lead over defending champions, North Korea. It was fantastic going. But their joy was short-lived. The Koreans bridged the gap before the interval. Saudi Arabia scuffled for the match-winning goal in vain. No explosive bursts, no goals. A 2-2 draw at full-time saw them up in the air, neither in nor out. All depended on goal difference and the outcome of the Thailand-Syria match later in the day.

When you play the Brazilian type of soccer you need a lot of agility. Setting up play may be slow but when the opening is made the thrust must be lightning. The Saudi Arabian forwards did not have this burst of speed. Their passing movements were attractive, their style was just great. But who wants all this when goals count so much.

Bayazid, Fahed Mosaibeh and Jamal Al-Mejilil were slow to capitalize on the openings made. That tearing burst was missing. Saudi Arabia were at their best in the first quarter. Sameer Abdul Shakur and Ahmed Bayazid translated their midfield domination into concrete goals. There was so much fire in them, they went all out to squash the Koreans.

Nawaf Al-Khamis and Saleh Aldosery came so close to goals. But that over-eagerness was precipitous especially with Nawaf Al-Khamis and Sameer both being unable to recover fast enough. The Arab defenders were solid and big-made, they could not match the speed of the Koreans.

Outside-left Han Hyong Il was a thorn in their side. He was constantly outstripping the Saudi Arabian defense with his speed. And tall Korean skipper, Hwang Sang Hoe, was always there at the front to convert even half a chance. His goal in the 41st minute was a beauty, as he leapt higher than Khaled Dosari's outstretched hands to nod in the equalizer.

Veritably the Saudi Arabian defense was spread-eagled so often in the second half, even as their own forwards had chances but

could not score. The earlier Korean goal was scored via Hwang Sang Hoe by O. Young Nam.

Saleh Aldosery was Kingdom's best forward Wednesday. He provided the center for Ahmed Bayazid to score and also the flag kick for Sameer to hit home. He was clever and forceful. But the others in attack tended too often to hold on to the ball a wee bit too long. Sameer Abdulshakur too was concentrating more on the men than the ball when he made tackles.

North Korea finished with four points but with a superior goal difference than Saudi Arabia, two goals more, to emerge group winners. The Koreans run into China, while Saudi Arabia will play India, who finished at the top of Group C. Though Thailand defeated Syria 3-1 they could not come into the reckoning as both had defenses against them.

India came up with a surprisingly good performance Wednesday. Their earlier insipid showings saw a welcome change with the inclusion of deep defender Sudip Chatterjee and right winger Karik Seti.

The whole side functioned as a team to force China to a 2-2 draw. Prior to the match none gave India a chance against the Chinese.

It was a pleasant surprise to see the well-known Chinese players in action.

But to the end their defense was shaky especially as Sudip Chatterjee was injured. Since the match was a quarterfinal for China, the players were not at their best.

Bangkok, Thailand, Nov. 24 (AP) — Group C match of the 1982 Asian Games soccer tournament played in Bangkok, Thailand, Wednesday. Saudi Arabia 2, North Korea 2.

For Malaysia, which was the runner-up in the 1974 Asian Games, the match was a test of the team's ability to play in the hot and humid conditions of Southeast Asia.

Thailand, the defending champion, was the first to score, leading to a 1-0 lead. But the well-known Chinese players were not at their best and the interval through Asian Games.

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To sail into semis

Pakistanis go on goal spree

By our Special Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24 — The artist is known by his creations. Pakistan's style was full of flourish, so distinctive. They mesmerized Japan. They hammered home a dozen goals, conceded one, for an overpowering show of strength in Asian Games hockey Wednesday.

Goals came so easily for the reigning champions. Japan were not as brittle as the score would suggest. But Pakistan had the scene well laid out. Their strategies, their balance in positional set-up and striking power were designed to utilize their strikers to advantage. Japan did not know what hit them.

The outcome was staggering, anticlimax written all over. Japan had promised so much. But they did not utilize their resources intelligently. To adopt defensive measures against Pakistan was suicidal. They realized it too late.

Once Pakistan struck there was no stopping them. Ironically a self goal set them on the rampage. Hassan Sardar's cross in the 20th was deflected by Nakabeppu into his own goal. Before Japan could recover, Kaleemullah crashed in a resounding regular shot. Manzoor Sr., Hassan Sardar (2), Hanif Khan (3), Samiullah (2), Manzoor Jr. and Sayeed Khan completed the rout.

Nakabeppu got the consolation for Japan from a penalty corner. Pakistan will meet Malaysia in the semifinals. The Malaysians expectedly routed Hong Kong by seven goals to finish behind India in Pool B. Their goals came through Soon Mustapha Karim, Abdul Rahim, Kevin Christopher, Murgasan and

two by Colin Sta-Maria.

India maintained their triumphant run in women's hockey. They routed Malaysia 4-0 to seal the gold medal which they were assured of when they beat Japan in their second outing. Nazleen Madraswalla (2), Rajbeer Kaur and Selma D.Silva were the scorers. The fight for the silver and bronze will be between Japan, South Korea and Malaysia.

Japan's domination in swimming continued. Another gold in the women's 4x100 meters relay. The quartet of Hiokazaki, Chetako Nakamori, Mika Saito and Kaori Yanase clocked three minutes, 59.27 seconds for a new Asian Games record.

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China's lone medal at the Talkatora pool came in diving. Sixteen-year-old student, Wei Lu, won the event with a record tally of 511.17 points. But China bridged the medal tally gap stretched by Japanese swimmers with scintillating performances in gymnastics and weightlifting late Tuesday night.

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Asian Games at a glance

Swimming	
Women	
4 X 100 m relay	1. Japan, 2. China, 3. Singapore.
Time: 3:59.27 (Asian record).	
100 m freestyle	1. Lu Wei (China), 2. Hong Jyong (China), 3. Mubuchi Yoshino (Japan). Points: 495.90.
200 m freestyle	1. Japan, 2. North Korea, 3. India, 4. China, 5. South Korea.
400 m freestyle	1. Kazumi Watanabe (Japan), 2. Yu Haqun (China), 3. Randeir Singh (India). Points: 189.
800 m freestyle	1. Kazumi Watanabe (Japan), 2. Yu Haqun (China), 3. Randeir Singh (India). Points: 220.
1600 m freestyle	1. Kazumi Watanabe (Japan), 2. Yu Haqun (China), 3. Randeir Singh (India). Points: 271.
Weightlifting	
Men	
55 kg	1. Dipsan Ali Bakht (India), 2. Li Shaozhi (China), 3. Muhammad Yousif (Pakistan). Total: 340 (Asian record).
60 kg	1. Indonesia, 2. India, 3. China, 4. South Korea.
65 kg	1. South Korea, 2. China, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
70 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
75 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
80 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
85 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
90 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
95 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
100 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
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195 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.
200 kg	1. India, 2. South Korea, 3. Japan, 4. Philippines.

Japan's triumph

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Magri gains points verdict over Torres

WEMBLEY, England, Nov. 24 (AP) — European flyweight boxing champion Charlie Magri outpointed Mexican Jose Torres over 10 rounds at the Wembley arena here Tuesday night, boosting his chances of a crack at the world title.

Magri, who had been stopped by Torres in the ninth round of a previous fight earlier this year, dominated the early stages of the rugged contest. But Magri had to fight off a rearguard action for the last four rounds.

Torres, based in Tucson, Arizona, rocked the 26-year-old Londoner with a right hook in the last round. Magri, who has a notoriously suspect chin, wobbled, stayed on his feet.

Magri was awarded the fight by a one round margin and now hopes to fight for the World Boxing Council (WBC) crown next year. Promoter Mike Barrett has promised Magri, who now has a 25-2 record, a March meeting with WBC champion Eleoncio Mercedez.

New British heavyweight hope Frank Bruno continued his march to the top by destroying top West German George Butzbach in under three minutes.

The big London fighter landed a raging left hook to Butzbach's body just before the bell to end round one and Butzbach sunk to his knees. The West German was up before the count, but the German, obviously in pain, indicated he had had enough.

It was Bruno's ninth straight win which has taken him a mere round to complete. Such is the power of his punching.

British lightweight Nick Wilshire extended his unbeaten record to 16-fights when American Freddie Boynton retired at the end of the fourth round of the scheduled eight-round bout.

The adventurous Wilshire, a 21-year-old southpaw, dominated the action and Boynton, from New Jersey, retired to his stool at the end of the fourth with a nose injury and a large swelling under his right eye.

Meanwhile, Murray Sutherland finished strongly to win a 10-round split decision over Maho Maldonado in a middleweight bout Tuesday night in Atlantic City.

Sutherland, 38-6-1, is a native of Scotland now living in Bay City, Michigan. He fought twice for the light heavyweight title, losing to World Boxing Association (WBA) champion Michael Spinks and former WBC champion Matthew Saad Muhammad.

Maldonado, of New Jersey, is a natural junior middleweight and weighed in at 72 kg. His record dropped to 21-11-1. Judge William Carozza gave it to Sutherland 6-3-1. Judge Milo Savage scored Sutherland the winner at 5-4-1. Referee Rudy Battle had Maldonado ahead 5-4-1.



A LEADING LEFT: European champion Charlie Magri of Britain leads with a left during his scheduled 10-round bout against Jose Torres of Mexico. The Briton avenged his earlier defeat at the hand of the Mexican when he won a points decision at Wembley Tuesday.

Zapata exudes confidence

TOKYO, Nov. 24 (Agencies) — World Boxing Council (WBC) junior flyweight champion Hilario Zapata said Wednesday no decision will be necessary because he will knock out Japanese challenger Tadashi Tomori in their title bout in Tokyo Nov. 30.

Zapata, 23, regained the 48.9-kilogram (108-pound) crown from then champion Tomori on a split decision last July 20 in Kanazawa City, Northern Japan. Zapata lost the title to Mexico's Amador Urusua in Panama City in February 1982. Tomori became the champion when he beat Urusua in Tokyo last April.

The Panamanian southpaw last defended it against South Korea's Chang Chong-Ku in South Korea Sept. 18. "There will be no decision this time because I will knock out Tomori in the seventh round with my strong left hand," Zapata said.

"Last time I did not have the chance to knock out Tomori because I had a bad cut on the left side of my head from butting," the champion said when asked.

While drinking an orange juice at a reception for a good fight, Zapata stretched his neck over to Tomori and told the Japanese "drink it, I know you are having a weight problem." Zapata urged Tomori once more but the challenger refused to pick up the glass.

NEW YORK (AP) — Power play goals by Ivan Hlinka and Lars Molin led the Vancouver Canucks to a 5-2 victory over the Quebec Nordiques in the National Hockey League Tuesday night. In other actions the Calgary Flames downed Washington Capitals 6-3, Montreal Canadiens tied with St. Louis Blues 1-1, and the Minnesota North Stars tied 8-8 with New York Islanders.

BRIEFS

LONDON (AP) — Schweppes are to stop sponsoring the English County Cricket Championship after next season. The soft drinks company have told the Test and County Cricket Board that they have decided to turn their attentions elsewhere. Peter Lush, spokesman for the TCCB, said Tuesday night: "While we could not agree to

Sunderland become a target for Arsenal

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Agencies) — After Alan Sunderland hit a last-minute goal, Arsenal downed Brighton 2-0 in an English League Cup third round replay at Highbury.

Arsenal led 2-0 at half-time. Sunderland was on target in the first half, but minutes. He did a third goal in the 10th minute. The Sunderland defender, who played on a water-logged pitch, was injured by 19-3-47 and now faces a long recovery and game against Third Division's Bradford City.

Another League Cup third round replay between West Ham and Luton City was postponed because heavy rain made the Upton Park pitch unplayable. The new date for the match is next Monday.

Scottish international Peter Reid's 74th minute equalizer earned Bradford Town a draw with Coventry City in a first round match played at Highbury Tuesday.

Danny Thomas had sprung a surprise by giving Coventry a deserved victory but Reid but Reid leveled the score at 1-1 in the 74th minute. The game was watched by a crowd of only 1,000. Wilson Athletic, who were away, lost 1-0.

Soccer scores	
Coventry	1
Arsenal	2
Cardiff	1
Newport	2
Sheff. Wed.	2
Telford	1
Wimbledon	1

Red Dart team corners highlight

JEDDAH, Nov. 24 — There were darts, spills and spins game in the first round of the Red Dart Team competition in Jeddah.

The Red Dart Team competition is a highlight of the Jeddah sports scene. The team, comprising Ron Crow, Rieu Lewis and Steve Reid, proved nearly unbeatable, losing only one heat in their class. They defeated the team which escaped the Red Dart Team and playing second in all the rest.

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Early exit

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Chinese shoot ahead in medals race

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24 (AFP) — Asia's athletic giants China and Japan are expected to scoop up at least 25 out of the 40 medals in the Asian Games athletics competition starting Thursday in the new stadium at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium.

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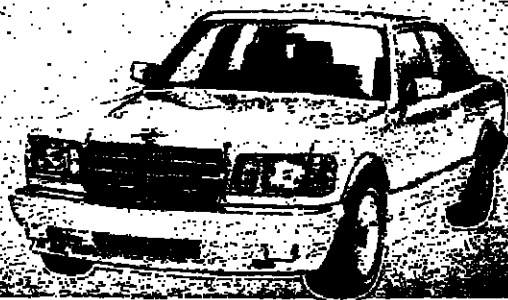
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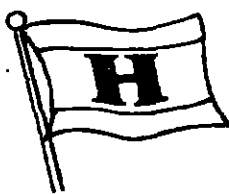
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Coup attempt against Moi

Kenyan sentenced to death for treason

NAIROBI, Kenya, Nov. 24 (AP) — A Kenyan Air Force corporal was sentenced to death Wednesday after a court-martial convicted him of treason for his role in an Aug. 1 coup attempt here, the state-owned radio reported. It was the first death sentence handed down since trials began in mid-September.

The Voice of Kenya said in a newscast that Cpl. Bramwel Injani Njereman, who had pleaded innocent, testified that he was acting under orders of superiors during the seven-hour uprising, put down by loyal police and army units.

The conviction of Njereman, a 27-year-old armaments technician, brought to 652 the number of servicemen sentenced so far by two military panels sitting at Langata Army barracks just southwest of Nairobi.

During the trial, the prosecution read from a purported confession in which Njereman was said to have admitted taking part in a conspiracy oath to topple the civilian government of President Daniel Arap Moi.

In the oath ritual, the corporal and other airmen each pricked a finger, dribbled drops of blood into a glass of water and then drank the mixture after the reading of a verse.

Njereman's lawyer unsuccessfully tried to have the confession rejected as evidence, saying it was obtained involuntarily. He was overruled by the panel of five military officers and a civilian magistrate. The confession made headlines in Kenya by quoting Njereman as saying that he believed the coup attempt was aimed at ousting corrupt cabinet ministers who themselves were plotting against Moi.

The names of the ministers were not read out because the judges felt it would be detrimental to national security.

The revolt by mainly junior-ranking air men was crushed by loyal army troops and a paramilitary police unit. Moi announced on Aug. 21 that he had disbanded the air force, which he blamed for the coup attempt, and appointed an army general to establish a new air corps.

The treason conviction was the first since Kenya's independence from Britain in 1963. The only other treason case ended in acquittal. Njereman's indictment said he instructed that an aircraft be armed with heat-seeking rockets and bombs for targets in Nairobi, the Kenyan capital, and ordered a pilot to carry out the mission. It also alleged that he issued arms to rebel airmen and made an attempt

to win over to the revolt members of an army armored battalion.

"I insist I am not responsible for whatever happened," he told the court-martial Tuesday in an unsworn statement which prevented cross-examination. "My participation was not voluntary, but I took orders."

Another air force corporal testified that Njereman pistol-whipped him when he asked why the aircraft was armed.

Njereman's confession added corroboration to unsubstantiated reports that there had been several separate conspiracies to topple Moi in early August. A London-published magazine, *Africa Now*, said one of the plots involved cabinet ministers. Kenyan authorities barred the magazine's distribution here.

Japan relents on textbooks

TOKYO, Nov. 24 (AP) — Education Minister Heiji Ogawa Wednesday announced new criteria for screening Japanese textbooks, intended to ease friction with Asian nations that had protested "whitewashing" of earlier accounts of Japanese military adventures before World War II.

Ogawa said the committees which screen textbooks for the Education Ministry should give "necessary consideration to the promotion of international understanding and cooperation in dealing with recent historical events between Japan and its neighboring Asian nations."

However, Ogawa's statement avoided any direct comment on passages that raised the ire of Japan's neighbors, principally the ministry's "guidance" that the Japanese word meaning "invasion" be changed to the more ambiguous word meaning "advance" in describing Japan's invasion of China.

That alteration, along with several others involving China and Korea, created a diplomatic row that shook the government of Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki in the late summer. China and South Korea charged that revisions in high school textbooks toned down accounts of Japan's wartime crimes and were a precursor to a revival of Japanese militarism.

The minister also said that the process of screening new textbooks should be moved up by one year to 1983, and that "appropriate" changes should be made in the texts.

Meanwhile, Chief Cabinet Secretary Kiichi Miyazawa said the government Wednesday informed the embassies of China and South Korea about the new criteria. He expressed hope that the two countries will eventually understand Japan's position regarding the textbooks issue.

The new measure was taken following a recommendation made by the Education Ministry's textbook authorization and research council on Nov. 16.



ARCH ENEMIES BACK: (David McCallum) Kuryakin (left) and Napoleon (Robert Vaughn) Solo, top U.N.C.L.E. agents and arch enemies of Thrush, are reunited for "The Return of the man From U.N.C.L.E." The stars of the TV series in the 60s will appear on CBS-TV in the new two-hour production in 1983.

ECM to study Soviet moves

BRUSSELS, Nov. 24 (AP) — Foreign ministers from the 10 European Common Market countries called for a thaw in the Cold War and urged the new Soviet leaders to "react positively" to the search for better East-West relations.

Meeting for the first time since the death of Leonid Brezhnev, the European ministers called on the new Soviet leadership to "pursue policies in a common effort to get better relations," said Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, chairman of the session.

"We hope the Soviet Union reacts positively," Ellemann-Jensen told reporters. He

said the Western leaders agreed "there is still tension, between the Soviet Union and the Western alliance." "It's a bit early to talk about a clear attitude but we are waiting to see what happens," Ellemann-Jensen said.

He said that over the next few weeks, foreign ministries would study Soviet actions, including the contents of the first major speech by Yuri Andropov, Brezhnev's replacement as chairman of the Soviet Communist Party. "There was agreement that this was an interesting speech and was worth studying," Ellemann-Jensen said.

A British official, briefing reporters on condition he not be identified, said British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym was of the view that Andropov's address "has given us a better insight into the Soviet leadership."

"If there is a sign of movement the West wants to respond," the British official said. "The West wants to be in a position to respond if there is any sign of a new momentum. We don't know yet if it's Brezhnevism without Brezhnev."

The official said the best possible signal from the Soviets would be progress at U.S.-Soviet talks on reducing medium and long-range nuclear missiles. The talks, which began in November 1981, have failed to make progress and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization has pledged to install 572 new missiles in Europe if the talks fail next year.

French and West German officials said they doubted there would be any immediate shift in Soviet policy under Andropov. "We have to be very prudent," said French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson. "Soviet policies always move with remarkable continuity. We will see only with time." In the Soviet hierarchy, he said, "the boss is surrounded by a college and it's practically unchanged" with Brezhnev's death.

U.N. chief told to discuss E. Timor

UNITED NATIONS, New York, Nov. 24 (AP) — The United Nations General Assembly has narrowly adopted a resolution calling on the U.N. secretary-general to begin consultations to resolve questions surrounding the future of East Timor.

The comparatively slim margin of victory Tuesday night, by 50 votes to 46 with 50 abstentions, was seen here as a positive development for Indonesia which officially annexed the former Portuguese colony in 1976.

But support for self-determination in Timor had waned in the past week and in comparison to last year's assembly vote on the same issue. The assembly's decolonization committee last week approved the resolution, submitted by Portugal and 15 other countries, by a vote of 48 to 42 with 54 abstentions.

Four states, Fiji, Guatemala, Liberia and Morocco, who supported the motion in committee last week, voted against it in the assembly Tuesday. The United Nations continues to recognize Portugal as the administrative power in East Timor despite

Solidarity man gets 6 years; stripped of rights

WARSAW, Nov. 24 (R) — A Polish court Wednesday sentenced Wladyslaw Frasyniuk, one of the top organizers of the Solidarity underground opposition, to six years in prison for carrying on union activity after the imposition of martial law.

The official news agency PAP said the regional court in the Western industrial city of Wroclaw, where Frasyniuk headed an extensive underground network, also ordered that he be deprived of his civil rights for a further four years. Frasyniuk, who was captured on Oct. 5, was the most prominent opposition activist to be detained under martial law since it was imposed last Dec. 13.

He was a member of a five-man body which met several times in secret to coordinate underground plans at national level. His trial was held under summary procedures before a three-man civilian judging panel and there was no chance of appeal by the defendant. Court sources had said Frasyniuk had faced between three and 15 years.

Frasyniuk, 27, had signed numerous joint statements by the National Coordinating Commission (TKK) of the outlawed union calling for demonstrations and setting out policies. Wroclaw was shaken by a series of demonstrations which turned into street clashes. One man was shot dead by police during protests on Aug. 31.

Frasyniuk, a mechanic, sat pale and drawn but composed during his trial. His wife Krysztyna watched nervously, occasionally exchanging smiles with her husband.

The prosecutor demanded a 10-year term and said Frasyniuk should receive a severe punishment as a warning to others engaged in underground activity and to those who may be planning to do so. Summing up, the defense lawyer said Tuesday it had been shown during the trial that Frasyniuk had appealed to people to act peacefully on the

U.N. urges halt to nuclear tests

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 24 (AP) — The United Nations General Assembly called on the nuclear powers to seek to halt underground nuclear tests as called for in the Moscow treaty banning blasts in the atmosphere, outer space and under the sea.

The Soviet Union was the only nuclear power that voted for Tuesday's resolution, adopted by the General Assembly's political committee in a vote of 104 to two, with 19 abstentions. The United States and Britain voted against the measure. France and Communist China abstained. They are the two nuclear powers that have not signed the partial test ban treaty.

The resolution seemed to be aimed mainly at the three nuclear signers (the Soviet Union, Britain and the United States) although it urged all countries to sign the partial test ban treaty. The measure asked the signers to "conform strictly to the commitments in this instrument (the treaty), to seek to ensure the halt of all experimental explosions and to pursue negotiations to the end."

The resolution was proposed by Ecuador, Kenya, Mexico, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Venezuela and Yugoslavia. It expressed "the grave preoccupation of the assembly over the fact that nuclear tests have not slowed, contrary to the wishes of the vast majority of member states."

Indonesia aide in Vienna

VIENNA, Nov. 24 (AP) — Indonesian Foreign Minister Mochtar Kusumaatmadja arrived here Wednesday for a three-day official visit, during which it is expected that the problems of Cambodia will dominate talks.

He was met on arrival by his Austrian opposite number, Willibald Pahr, who is also President of the United Nations ad hoc committee on Cambodia.

A working session to discuss Cambodia is planned for Thursday morning. The Indonesian minister will also officially open the new Indonesian Embassy here and meet Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky on Friday.

Pancreas graft successful

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 24 (R) — Five Swedish doctors say they have overcome a major obstacle to the success of pancreas transplants, which could cure the widespread and debilitating illness diabetes.

Their new technique, which involves draining for a few weeks after the operation the acidic digestive juices produced by the pancreas, was tested about a year ago on 10 patients. Three of the patients still have their transplanted pancreases and are living without insulin injections. The organs came from healthy people who died in accidents.

The illness occurs when the pancreas or digestive gland is unable to produce the hormone insulin, which regulates the amount of sugar in the blood. Sufferers, who risk blindness and circulatory problems, must follow strict diets and take regular injections. Clinical attempts at pancreas transplants had been made in the United States, France and Britain over the past 10 years but proved more difficult than heart or kidney transplants, said Dr. Carl-Gustaf Groth, leader of the team at Huddinge Hospital outside Stockholm.

This was because the complexity of the pancreas posed additional surgical problems to the body's tendency to reject a transplanted organ. As well as producing insulin, the pancreas produces acidic digestive juices for the bowels, which previously prevented healing after transplantation.

The Swedish doctors had developed a technique of draining the juices through a catheter from the pancreas to a sack outside the body for a few weeks after the operation until the body had time to heal. Dr. Groth said. The problems of rejection still remained and in three of the Swedish patients the new organs had not been accepted, he said.

Polish siege 'to end Dec. 13'

WARSAW, Nov. 24 (R) — A senior government official said everything in Poland pointed to a lifting of martial law on Dec. 13 — exactly one year after it was imposed. The official's remarks, during an interview with a group of Western reporters, were the clearest sign yet that a Sejm (parliament) session on that date would be the occasion for the military to hand over power to the Communist civilians.

"Everything points to the situations that on Dec. 13 we will lift martial law," he said. The ruling military council called the Sejm session, and a spokesman said the meeting would discuss political issues.

The official, who declined to be named, said lifting martial law and the release this

month of interned Solidarity leader Lech Walesa were not ends in themselves, but part of the process of Poland's recovery.

"After Dec. 13 we will not have less problems than we have now," he said, adding that the government was determined to build a strong state with the cooperation of the people — only thus could the state enjoy democracy and liberalization. He said this goal was a long way off.

The official said it was the government's aim to end internment when martial law was lifted. But he said there had been no final decision on what to do with 1,000 persons still interned or on whether there would be an amnesty for some or all of those convicted of violating martial law.

U.K. jails swindler dentist

LONDON, Nov. 24 (AFP) — Australian dentist Hugh Hourigan, 46, has been jailed here for 18 months for fleeing the National Health Service (NHS) out of more than 300,000 pounds in four years. He pleaded not guilty. His fraud is believed to be the biggest in the history of the NHS.

Hourigan was also ordered Tuesday to pay 20,000 pounds in legal costs after being found guilty at Aylesbury Crown Court of 13 charges of deception. Hourigan, who had practiced in High Wycombe, Bucks, lived in Bledlow Ridge, Buckinghamshire, but when police raided his premises in October 1979, he fled to Australia.

He later went to Zimbabwe and South Africa, before moving to New York where police were waiting for him, the court was told. From 1975 to 1979 Hourigan was said to have made nearly 8,500 bogus claims from the NHS.

Justice Verney said that he was giving Hourigan a light sentence as he now faces civil proceedings concerning his assets and would be banned by his professional association from practicing anywhere in the world. He was said to have been at the top of the earning league for all dentists between 1975 and 1979.

When the court case opened three weeks ago, the prosecution said Hourigan had showed "a very considerable aptitude for clever deceit," over a period of four years. He turned to fraud when greed overcame honesty, the prosecution charged.

He filed thousands of bogus claims forms in the names of dentists no longer practicing in Britain, and sent them to the dental estimates board for payment. The "large-scale fraud" was not spotted at first when the claims were processed by a computer.

But, the court was told, someone spotted that Hourigan's firm had been paid hundreds of thousands of pounds by the NHS for less than four year's work. A team of eight detectives finally tracked down the swindle, the court heard.

Palme blasts Pretoria policy

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 24 (AP) — Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme used the visit of Tanzanian Prime Minister Cleopa Msuya to denounce South Africa's policy in Southwest Africa (Namibia). "South Africa illegally occupies Namibia," Palme said at a press conference held jointly with Msuya.

"To defend that illegal occupation, South Africa has chosen to occupy a sizable part of Angola. It is a transgression of Angola's national sovereignty," Palme said. Msuya said he and Palme had discussed "the whole issue of the freedom movement" trying for Namibia's independence from South Africa.

In a reference to the presence of Cuban

troops in Angola, Msuya said his government felt the Namibian problem should be discussed separately from the issues of other countries in the area. The same view was expressed by Palme, who said "the South African occupation of Namibia and (parts of) Angola has nothing to do with Cuba."

"The United States and other governments are fully entitled to have strong views on the Cuban presence in Angola, but it should not be mixed up with the South African occupation," Palme said. The Swedish leader said he hoped his government, which came to power in early October after six years of non-Socialist rule, would "activate Sweden's policy concerning southern Africa."

Pershing-2's test fails in accuracy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (AP) — The unarmed warhead used in the test firing of a Pershing-2 missile Friday "did not achieve the desired accuracy," the U.S. Army acknowledged. A loss of hydraulic pressure as the warhead fell prevented it from maneuvering toward its target, stated a report on the third Pershing test shot at White Sands, New Mexico.

The army did not disclose how far away the warhead landed from its target. The Pershing-2's first two tests at White Sands were failures. Initial reports on the third

described it as a complete success. But on Tuesday, the army merely claimed that "all primary objectives were met." It added that overall, the test "was successful."

The army has consistently denied speculation that the planned deployment of nuclear-armed Pershing-2s in Europe in late 1983 may have to be delayed. Pershing-2 and Cruise missiles are to be based in Europe in response to similar Soviet intermediate-range nuclear missiles already deployed unless the Geneva arms-restraint talks make progress.

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